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REPORT OF THE SELECTMEN.

THE Selectmen of Weymouth respectfully submit their Annual Report, with a schedule of receipts and expenditures for the year 1876, as follows : —

In the matter of the roads, the town, at the last annual March meeting, appropriated only about half as much (the sum of \$8,000) as was appropriated annually for the two last years for that purpose, \$4,000 of which was to be used in the discretion of the Highway Surveyors, and \$4,000 as the Selectmen might think the condition of the public roads required. The condition of the road service was partly a written contract (made in 1875) with Mr. Bela French for working a section of the widenings of Pleasant Street, contract price, \$380; a demand unpaid for work done in January of over \$100; a demand for damages for undermining a wall on the estate of the Whittemore heirs in Essex Street, \$100; the damage caused by raising the grade of Sea and Pearl Streets, to Mr. Cushing, \$125. The Canal Bridge at East Weymouth, during the summer broke down, and was found to be so rotten that repairing it would be money wasted, and a new one was built of stone at a cost of about \$500. Ann Street, which leads from Abington through Weymouth to Holbrook, was so narrow that carriages could not safely pass, and we have caused it to be widened and repaired at an expense of over \$200. A portion of the widenings of Randolph Street has been worked; also about thirty-five rods of the extension of Central Street have been graded. The finishing of the improvements on Neck Street, and various other improvements and repairs in various parts of the town, together with the cost of the Hingham and Quincy Bridges and removing snow, have exhausted the appropriation. There remain unfinished improvements of the public roads already laid out, a portion of Webb Street, a small part of Randolph Street, a small part of Pleasant Street, most of the extension of Central Street, the whole of the improvements as laid out by the County Commissioners on

North Street, and also a portion of East Street, near the house of Joseph Sherman.

The town at the last March meeting voted to dispense with the police; but as January and February had already passed, there appears an item in the expense for that service for those months; but as the season passed on and the evenings became pleasant, a noisy and disorderly disposition manifested itself in some portions of the town, and a sufficient number of constables were directed to be in readiness to act in suppressing outrages and in preserving the peace and quiet of the town, the cost of which will be found under the head of "Constables" in the schedule.

The Town House was found to be very leaky, and upon examination the shingles were so much worn that it was determined to shingle the roof, which has been done.

In relation to the granting of licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors, as licenses were granted in 1875 and a report of the same made to the town, which was, with all other matters, contained in said Report and accepted by the town without any objection, we have licensed apothecaries to sell, under a special written agreement with the Selectmen to restrict their sales to medicinal, mechanical, and chemical purposes.

The guide-boards throughout the town are in fair condition.

In view of the condition of the public highways and the small amount appropriated last year, we think that the public wants urgently require a larger appropriation than last year, as the improvements already commenced should be worked.

NOAH VINING,
FRANCIS AMBLER,
JOHN W. BARTLETT,
THOS. H. HUMPHREY,
WILLIAM NASH,

Selectmen of Weymouth.

WEYMOUTH. Jan. 1, 1877.

SCHEDULE

OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES FROM JANUARY 1, 1876, TO
JANUARY 1, 1877.

Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1876, as per schedule	\$19,939 44
Received Town, State, and County taxes	69,653 23
Of State Treasurer Corporation taxes	1,867 56
" National Bank taxes	5,026 97
" State aid refunded	5,200 79
" school fund	297 34
County " for dog licenses	903 89
On Town notes in anticipation of taxes	30,000 00
First National Bank of South Weymouth, interest on deposits	39 66
Union National Bank of Weymouth, interest on deposits	58 80
Bates & Albee, interest on deposits	22 31
Received interest on delinquent taxes	347 50
" of South Weymouth Piscatorial Association for rent of pond	20 00
For licenses	260 00
Use of Town Hall	234 00
F. D. Pratt, trustee of the Pratt School fund for the year 1875	350 00
F. D. Pratt, trustee of the Pratt School fund for the year 1876	300 00
M. F. Baker, in full for land	50 00
For old lumber of Canal Bridge, East Weymouth	5 00
J. F. Sheppard, for tuition of two scholars in North High School	9 60
S. L. Reed, school committee	87
For taxes of 1873	2 50
Drain pipe (second-hand)	7 40
Town of Randolph, for aid to its poor	208 00
" Rockland " "	62 00
" Abington " "	115 25

Town of Braintree, for aid to its poor	\$57 90
City of Newburyport " "	56 75
" Boston (due but not received)	59 47
Town of Marshfield	10 00
For use of lock-up	30 00
For support of Ellen S. Lowery in the Worcester Hospi- tal	48 17
For support of Emma Leach in the Taunton Hospital .	120 00
For board of Rose Carney	156 00
" Stephen Humphrey	73 00
For partial support of Eliza S. McCue in Taunton Hospi- tal	33 12
For partial support of Mrs. Pedman	28 00
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	\$135,654 52

SCHOOLS.

The town grant for support of schools was	\$22,500 00
Income of Alewife Fund	252 00
Town portion of School Fund	297 34
Received of County Treasurer for dog licenses .	903 89
" " Pratt Fund	300 00
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	\$24,253 23

There was expended for the several schools as follows, viz.: —

NORTH HIGH.

Paid Geo. W. Shaw, teacher	\$1,280 00
Sarah Lewiston, assistant	300 00
S. B. Goodwin, "	200 00
Wm. Binney and E. Whelan for care of rooms .	71 97
For railroad tickets	98 00
T. Hall, sundry apparatus	23 00
Wm. H. Bartlett for writing diplomas	3 00
W. K. Baker & Son, expressing	4 65
J. Loud & Co. and J. F. Sheppard for coal . .	84 15
F. A. Gardner for use of well	2 50

Paid G. S. Baker for hardware	\$5 70
S. W. Pratt, incidentals	14 45
W. C. Austin, carting coal	6 00
" " " for wood	5 00
F. Ambler, chemicals and incidentals	24 09
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	\$2,122 51

SOUTH HIGH.

Paid Geo. B. Vose, teacher	\$1,280 00
Alice R. Rogers, assistant	448 87
L. A. Cook, services as janitor	57 00
J. Loud & Co. and J. F. Sheppard for coal	58 76
H. Rockwood, incidentals	14 52
J. Farrington, services at exhibition	5 00
Otis Cushing, expressing	10 25
Elbridge Nash, chemicals	2 25
W. C. Austin, carting coal	7 00
O. P. Shaw, wood.	9 75
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	\$1,893 40

ATHENS.

Paid Edward N. Dyer, teaching	\$980 00
Hattie J. Farren, "	216 00
Florence E. Tirrell, "	178 50
Mary L. Ells, "	136 00
Mabel F. Harlow, "	120 00
E. N. Dyer, services as janitor	105 00
J. F. Sheppard for coal	74 75
W. C. Austin for carting coal	12 00
S. L. Hammatt, incidentals	7 20
J. W. Bartlett, "	17 33
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	\$1,846 78

RIVER STREET.

Paid Clarabella Pratt, teacher	\$119 00
J. F. Sheppard for coal	12 87
W. C. Austin for carting coal	2 00
" " " for wood	5 00
W. J. Coleman, services as janitor	10 50
J. W. Bartlett, incidentals	7 57
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	\$156 94

ADAMS.

Paid Eliza French, teacher	\$468 00
" " cleaning rooms	60
L. F. Briggs, teacher	240 00
J. F. Sheppard and J. Loud & Co for coal .	32 70
J. F. Sheppard for wood	4 75
W. C. Austin, "	9 50
C. E. & E. R. Chapin, services as janitor . .	60 00
L. Hammett for incidentals	4 80
W. C. Austin for carting coal	5 00
F. Ambler for incidentals	80
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	\$826 15

COMMERCIAL STREET.

Paid William H. Bartlett, teacher	\$600 00
Lucius Brown, "	380 00
Ellen G. Parrott, "	390 05
Josie A. Raymond, "	177 00
Martha J. Hawes, "	135 15
William H. Bartlett, services as janitor . .	57 50
Nelson Wood, " "	34 75
Alfred A. Webster, " "	12 25
J. F. Sheppard for coal	38 46
W. C. Austin for carting coal	7 50
Sylvanus White for wood	34 50
J. Sherman for fuel	10 75
W. Burrell for preparing fuel	10 00
Mrs. Mary Borden for cleaning rooms . . .	1 60
Mrs. J. Barrett, " "	4 75
Mrs. E. C. Hawes, incidentals	5 40
Henry Loud, "	25 58
Z. L. Bicknell & Co., "	9 12
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	\$1,934 36

HIGH AND SCHOOL STREET.

Paid M. A. Holbrook, teacher	\$350 10
L. R. Healey, "	340 00
C. L. Farren "	246 00
Josephine Raymond, teacher	49 50

Paid J. Loud & Co. for coal	.	.	.	.	.	\$24 50
J. F. Sheppard, "	.	.	.	.	.	38 28
W. C. Austin for carting coal	.	.	.	.	.	9 25
S. White for wood	.	.	.	.	.	15 00
W. Burrell for preparing wood	.	.	.	.	.	8 50
F. Boyle, services as janitor	.	.	.	.	.	90 00
Z. L. Bicknell & Co., incidentals	11 72
Henry Loud, "	5 28
J. Barrett, cleaning rooms	8 86
M. Borden, " "	3 40
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						\$1,200 39

PLEASANT STREET.

Paid Abbie A. Burrell, teacher	\$284 00
Abbie A. Shaw, "	68 00
Anna H. Vining, "	.	.	.	.	.	300 00
J. Loud & Co. for coal	.	.	.	.	.	7 61
J. F. Sheppard "	.	.	.	.	.	25 90
W. C. Austin for carting coal	.	.	.	.	.	5 25
S. White for wood	.	.	.	.	.	5 50
W. Burrell for preparing wood	.	.	.	.	.	3 00
Hannah McEnro, services as janitor	68 83
H. Loud, incidentals	5 44
Z. L. Bicknell & Co., incidentals	3 64
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						\$777 17

GRANT STREET.

Paid Lavinia Totman, teacher,	\$178 50
Ella Burgess, "	120 00
J. Loud & Co. for coal	.	.	.	.	.	7 25
J. F. Shepard "	.	.	.	.	.	13 32
W. C. Austin for carting coal	.	.	.	.	.	3 00
S. White, wood,	.	.	.	.	.	7 50
W. Burrell for preparing wood	.	.	.	.	.	4 25
S. M. Burrell, services as janitor	30 00
Henry Loud, incidentals	1 00
Z. L. Bicknell "	20
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						\$365 02

MIDDLE STREET.

Paid Anna L. Noyes, teacher	\$216 00
Hattie J. Farren, "	136 00

Paid A. F. Gardner, teacher	.	.	.	.	.	\$300 00
J. Loud & Co., coal	.	.	.	.	.	14 86
J. F. Sheppard, "	.	.	.	.	.	25 72
W. C. Austin, carting coal	.	.	.	.	.	5 00
Asa B. Pratt, services as janitor	.	.	.	.	.	36 00
Geo. W. Tirrell, " " "	.	.	.	.	.	24 00
S. White for wood	.	.	.	.	.	3 50
W. Burrell for preparing wood	2 00
H. Loud, incidentals	5 59
Z. L. Bicknell & Co., incidentals	63
B. F. Shaw & Son, "	7 74
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						\$777 04

BROAD STREET.

Paid J. W. Armington, teacher	\$600 00
N. W. Knights, "	240 00
H. H. Blanchard, "	34 00
Hannah E. Ward, "	.	.	.	.	.	120 00
Emma F. Parker, "	.	.	.	.	.	134 30
J. F. Sheppard for coal	.	.	.	.	.	80 69
W. C. Austin for carting coal	.	.	.	.	.	6 50
" " " wood	.	.	.	.	.	14 50
J. W. Armington, services as janitor	.	.	.	.	.	46 50
E. B. Whelan, " "	.	.	.	.	.	24 00
J. W. Armington for cleaning rooms	17 00
S. W. Pratt, incidentals	7 75
E. B. Whelan, "	1 75
F. Ambler, "	8 93
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						\$1,335 92

MOUNT PLEASANT.

Paid M. L. Foye, teacher	\$120 00
F. A. Colson, teacher	170 00
Carrie A. Blanchard, teacher	.	.	.	.	.	356 00
Abbie L. Loud, teacher	.	.	.	.	.	352 00
H. H. Blanchard, "	.	.	.	.	.	34 00
F. A. Tilden, "	.	.	.	.	.	22 10
H. E. Ward, "	.	.	.	.	.	57 00
J. Armington, "	.	.	.	.	.	380 00
N. W. Knights, "	.	.	.	.	.	152 00

Paid Emma F. Parker, teacher	.	.	.	.	.	\$11 90
A. H. Morrill, "	.	.	.	.	.	3 00
J. Loud & Co. for coal	.	.	.	.	.	19 03
J. F. Sheppard, "	.	.	.	.	.	103 47
W. C. Austin for carting coal	.	.	.	.	.	9 50
" for wood	.	.	.	.	.	14 50
Jasan Smith, services as janitor	.	.	.	.	.	10 75
E. B. Whelan, " "	.	.	.	.	.	70 40
J. W. Armington, cleaning and incidentals	.	.	.	.	.	23 00
" services as janitor	.	.	.	.	.	48 00
S. W. Pratt, incidentals	.	.	.	.	.	8 45
A. F. Trufant, repairing clock	1 75
F. Ambler, incidentals	16 52
Whiting & Clapp, use of well	5 00
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						\$1,988 37

PERKINS.

Paid Clara F. Perry, teacher	\$300 00
Mary L. Hunt, "	298 50
J. Loud & Co. for coal	21 75
J. F. Sheppard "	.	.	.	.	.	20 63
W. C. Austin for carting	.	.	.	.	.	3 25
Geo. W. Richards, services as janitor	.	.	.	.	.	63 00
" cleaning rooms	10 00
S. W. Pratt, incidentals	15 93
F. Ambler "	6 75
A. F. Trufant, repairing clock	1 00
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						\$740 81

TREMONT STREET.

Paid H. H. Blanchard, teacher	\$221 00
F. A. Tilden, "	51 00
Wm. Binny and E. B. Whelan, services as janitor	35 98
J. Loud & Co. and J. F. Sheppard for coal	.	.	.	.	.	56 09
W. C. Austin for carting coal	4 00
" for wood	4 50
F. Ambler, incidentals	5 58
S. W. Pratt, "	4 62
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						\$382 77

MAIN STREET.

Paid S. L. Vining, teacher	\$468 00
M. C. Holbrook, "	352 00

Paid J. E. French, teacher	\$300 00
Asa Pool, services as janitor	100 25
J. Loud & Co. for coal	8 00
J. F. Sheppard "	62 65
W. C. Austin, carting coal	11 00
G. Brooks for fuel	16 00
W. G. Nash, incidentals	21 09
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	\$1,338 99

WASHINGTON STREET.

Paid E. S. Spilsted, teacher	\$340 00
J. F. Sheppard, for coal	12 76
W. C. Austin, carting coal	2 00
Orin Pool, services as janitor	33 00
H. Loud, incidentals	2 77
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	\$390 53

PRATT.

Paid George C. Torrey, teacher	\$977 62
S. W. Spilsted, "	340 00
Lizzie Dyer, "	158 00
Geo. C. Torrey, services as janitor	80 32
J. F. Sheppard for coal	37 82
R. C. Weston, fuel	4 35
N. Cobb, "	5 00
Henry Dyer, "	5 65
W. C. Austin for carting coal	6 00
H. Rockwood, incidentals	3 20
W. G. Nash, "	1 24
Thompson & Dean for coal	10 00
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	\$1,629 20

TORREY STREET.

Paid L. A. Cook, teacher	\$977 50
Mary Logue, "	136 00
J. Loud & Co. and J. F. Sheppard for coal	49 01
L. A. Cook, services as janitor	57 00
W. P. Shaw for wood	9 75
H. Rockwood, incidentals	6 13
L. Tuck, "	1 99
W. C. Austin for carting coal	7 00
C. C. Tower, incidentals	4 75
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	\$1,249 13

CENTRAL STREET.

Paid L. L. Whitman, teacher	\$392 00
S. C. Vining, "	352 00
M. A. Morrill, "	340 00
S. J. Rogers, "	.	.	.	.	.	300 00
J. Farrington, services as janitor	.	.	.	.	.	120 00
Thompson & Dean, coal	.	.	.	.	.	24 75
J. Loud & Co. "	.	.	.	.	.	90 93
J. F. Sheppard "	.	.	.	.	.	101 00
W. C. Austin for carting coal	.	.	.	.	.	27 00
J. Farrington for preparing fuel	9 10
E. & C. Sherman " "	4 00
E. J. Whitcomb for wood	6 50
H. Rockwood, incidentals	16 03
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						\$1,783 31

UNION STREET.

Paid Emma J. Smith, teacher	\$340 00
Thompson & Dean for coal	10 00
J. F. Sheppard "	.	.	.	.	.	25 14
B. Chandler, services as janitor	35 00
L. Tuck, incidentals	5 50
H. Rockwood, "	3 34
W. C. Austin, carting coal	4 00
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						\$422 98

RANDOLPH STREET.

Paid S. L. Fisher, teacher	\$204 00
Emily White, teacher	136 00
H. L. Carroll, services as janitor	.	.	.	.	.	32 50
J. F. Sheppard for coal	.	.	.	.	.	12 48
W. C. Austin, carting coal	.	.	.	.	.	2 00
H. Rockwood, incidentals	.	.	.	.	.	2 49
G. Harlow, repairing clocks	1 00
L. Tuck, incidentals	90
W. G. Nash, incidentals	25
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						\$391 62

POND STREET.

Paid Mary E. Hutchinson, teacher	\$204 00
Maria Torrey, teacher	184 30
H. M. Loud, services as janitor	21 00
Loring Doble, " "	12 00
J. F. Sheppard for coal	24 80
W. C. Austin for carting coal	4 00
Geo. O. Paine for fuel	3 00
O. P. Shaw, wood	3 50
G. M. Shaw, use of well (1875)	3 00
H. Rockwood, incidentals	4 27
G. M. Shaw, use of well (1876)	3 00
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	\$416 87

DRAWING SCHOOL.

Paid Walter H. Bracket, teacher	\$157 50
Burns, Fitzgerald & Co., incidentals	46 70
L. Prang & Co., drawing books	24 48
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	\$228 68

GENERAL INCIDENTALS OF SCHOOLS.

Paid H. Rockwood for books for superintendent . .	\$31 52
F. Ambler, stationery for committee	2 24
E. Loud, carting seats	1 00
F. W. Loud, carting seats	5 00
E. Wales & Sons, repairing pumps	36 50
Howe & French, white lead	29 33
H. H. Joy, for printing	76 50
Peterson & Lavender, for printing	10 25
A. Mudge & Son " "	10 75
" " for printing diplomas	13 75
F. W. Lewis, advertising	1 88
E. S. Wright, stationery for committee	2 00
R. Lowell, expressing	3 00
J. C. Wendall, refreshments	19 41
Mrs. M. Cowing, "	7 00
J. Humphrey, transportation of assistant teacher,	3 90
Mrs. E. C. Hawes, travelling expenses	31 75
" " for procuring assistant for High School	2 25

Paid F. Whitten, services as truant officer . . .	\$24 50
Lucius Brown, expenses School Committee . .	6 00
C. C. Tinkham, services as truant officer . .	3 75
William Burrell, for transportation of School Committee	2 00
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	\$324 28

Expenses of North High School	\$2,122 51
South " "	1,893 40
Drawing School	228 68
Grammar, Intermediate, and Primary Schools	19,954 35
General incidentals	324 28
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	\$24,523 22

REPAIRS OF SCHOOL-HOUSES.

ATHENS.

Paid Geo. W. Whitten for repairs	\$8 75
Noble Morse for incidental repairs	6 60
B. Lougee for repairing well	11 50
B. H. Everett for repairs	16 11
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	\$42 96

ADAMS.

Paid Wm. White for repairs	\$30 50
S. W. Pratt for stoves and repairs	77 02
B. H. Everett for repairs	5 95
A. F. Trufant, clock	6 00
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	\$119 47

COMMERCIAL STREET.

Paid E. Hawes for trees	\$9 50
F. B. Reed for clock	1 65
O. Burrell for paint	2 55
T. P. Hobart for repairs	3 30
Chas. Simmons for repairs	24 67
A. F. Lovell, stoves and repairs	45 46
B. H. Everett, labor and stock	4 50

Paid Geo. W. Whitten for repairs on stoves . . .	\$8 50
For rent of room for Primary School . . .	18 75
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	\$118 88

HIGH STREET.

Paid P. Wales & Son for repairing pump . . .	\$3 00
Chas. Simmons for repairs . . .	53 99
A. T. Lovell, repairing stoves . . .	8 25
B. H. Everett for repairs . . .	6 00
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	\$71 24

PLEASANT STREET.

Paid Chas. Simmons, repairs . . .	\$11 02
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GRANT STREET.

Paid Chas. Simmons for repairs . . .	\$ 60
Melvin French, jr. . .	1 50
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	\$2 10

MIDDLE STREET.

Paid O. Burrell for painting . . .	\$117 89
Chas. Simmons, repairs . . .	7 75
B. H. Everett " . . .	9 50
W. O. Haskell, furniture . . .	18 00
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	\$153 14

BROAD STREET.

Paid B. A. White for tree . . .	\$1 00
Geo. Cushing for repairs . . .	2 39
S. W. Pratt " . . .	4 80
Geo. S. Baker for lock and key . . .	85
J. West, setting glass . . .	2 75
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	\$11 79

MOUNT PLEASANT.

Paid B. A. White for tree . . .	\$ 21
P. H. Blanchard, repairs . . .	72 68
Howe & French, paints . . .	67 16
J. West, painting . . .	179 55
S. W. Pratt, furniture and repairs. . .	31 06
Geo. S. Baker, locks and keys . . .	1 78
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	\$352 44

PERKINS.

Paid George Cushing for repairs	\$2 00
P. H. Blanchard "	24 16
S. W. Pratt, repair of stoves	9 40
L. Rich & Co., curtains	6 59
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	\$42 15

MAIN STREET.

Paid Howe & French for paint	\$44 00
Wm. B. Hersey, painting	103 83
L. Tuck for repairing stoves	5 55
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	\$153 38

WASHINGTON STREET.

Paid Howe & French, paints	\$22 00
E. Martin, painting	67 15
F. B. Reed, repairing clock	75
J. L. Lane, repairs	1 50
S. W. Pratt, stove	35 11
Geo. W. Whitten, repairing stoves	8 00
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	\$134 51

PRATT.

Paid D. N. Wade, repairs	\$2 81
C. S. Lloyd, "	24 50
E. Martin, painting	65 08
Loud & Pratt for lumber	59 41
Howe & French, paints	45 00
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	\$196 80

TORREY STREET.

Paid B. A. White for trees	\$2 75
D. B. Rogers " repairs and fixtures	144 09
T. P. Hobart " "	5 50
L. Tuck " repair of stoves	26 08
Wm. B. Hersey for repairs	7 35
Bicknell Bros. " furniture	54 32
Wm. O. Haskell " "	28 15
J. P. Thayer, repairs	3 25
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	\$271 49

CENTRAL STREET.

Paid L. Tuck for stoves and repairs	\$232 42
F. F. Bullock, repairs	3 50
D. B. Rogers, repairs	8 80
Wm. B. Hersey, repairs	13 10
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	\$257 82

UNION STREET.

Paid L. Tuck for repairs28
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RANDOLPH STREET.

Paid Howe French for paints	\$22 00
D. B. Rogers for repairs	16 39
L. Tuck for repairs	2 25
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	\$40 64

POND STREET.

Paid L. Tuck, for repairs40
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TREMONT SREET.

Paid Day & Collins for drain pipe	\$14 72
P. H. Blanchard for fence and repairs	64 70
Bicknell Bros., clock and mirror	20 50
“ “ furniture	97 50
J. R. H. Williams, yard posts	3 02
Geo. S. Baker, carting furniture	7 25
F. W. Lewis, expense of dedication	2 30
Geo. S. Baker, hardware	7 00
C. F. Pope, teaming	1 50
J. West for painting	4 00
Bourk's express	1 75
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	\$224 24
Total cost of repairs, etc.	\$2,204 74

NEW SCHOOL-HOUSE, RIVER STREET.

Paid Bradley Fertilizer Company for land	\$100 00
Seabury & Garcelon, on contract	1,075 00
“ “ “ for out-buildings and extra work	183 70

Paid J. W. Bartlett, cash paid for grading . . .	\$142 00
“ “ “ “ “ for underpinning . . .	51 50
W. C. Collins, setting “ . . .	10 00
J. W. Bartlett, cash paid for furniture and freight of same	189 38
Fred Lincoln for plans	16 12
L. W. Bicknell “	4 50
G. W. Whitten for stoves	59 60
J. W. Dunbar, carting furniture	3 00
J. H. Thompson, labor on yard	4 75
J. W. Bartlett, cash paid for labor	36 50
“ “ “ superintending building	16 00
A. F. Trufant for clock	2 00
H. F. Cushing for lead and oil	19 24
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	\$1,913 29

HIGHWAYS, TOWNWAYS, AND BRIDGES.

Paid George Bennett, for Ward 1	\$675 47
John H. Thompson, “ 2	800 00
J. R. H. Williams, “ 3	800 00
James Moore, “ 4	800 00
A. S. Howe, “ 5	800 00
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	\$3,875 47

REPAIRS OF THE HIGHWAYS BY THE SELECTMEN, LAND DAMAGE, ETC.

Paid George Bennett, working Neck Street . . .	\$200 00
Damages caused by the removal of gravel by the highway surveyors on Essex Street . . .	100 00
H. F. Cushing and wife, damage caused by rais- ing grade of Sea Street	125 00
Day & Collins for drain pipe	45 00
Widow Susan Loud for building railing on Com- mercial Street	35 17
J. W. Bartlett for building drain on Sea Street, . . .	22 50
Ira Litchfield for land damage in widening Neck Street	7 00

Paid William Collier for labor on drain	\$13 50
J. Humphrey for repairs of Hingham and Quincy Bridges	25 85
Noah Vining, for repairs of Hingham and Quincy Bridges	566 39
Thos. Bicknell, damage to carriage by defect in highway	3 50
M. E. Pratt, damage to carriage by defect in highway	10 00
John H. Thompson, for general repairs and gravel,	77 71
Thomas South, for snow plough	16 00
C. C. Colbath, for rebuilding and furnishing mate- rial for bridge	476 00
Weymouth Iron Co., iron for bridge	1 75
B. Shurtleff, for lighting bridge	2 80
Reidy Bros., for labor on bridge	4 50
J. E. Rice, for labor and lumber for bridge	10 22
Weymouth Iron Co., use of team in building bridge	3 00
Thomas Humphrey for gravel	7 20
Chas. Simmons, labor on bridge	6 75
M. L. Cushing, setting edgestone	5 00
Waldo Turner for railing for street	38 90
Loud & Pratt, lumber for railing	12 07
John H. Thompson, repairs on Middle St.	65 00
Day & Collins, for drain pipe	36 30
Bela French, on contract of 1875 for working wid- ening on Pleasant Street	300 00
Bela French for labor on highway	33 68
“ “ working widening on Pleasant St.	100 50
John R. H. Williams for general repairs	18 32
For labor on Webb Street	5 29
“ drain, Washington Street	22 57
“ labor, Front and Hunt Streets	6 63
“ repairing bridge on Washington Street	16 82
“ labor on drainage of “	10 80
“ “ Front and Broad Streets	22 00
Ashford Baker for stock and labor on fence cor- ner of Broad and Stetson Streets	6 00
For labor on sidewalk on Washington and Front Streets	15 00
S. W. Gutterson, concrete gutter on Prospect and Washington Streets	85 72

Paid S. W. Pratt, for drain pipe for Prospect and Wash- ington Streets	\$40 33
Repairing street pumps	11 08
Day, Collins & Co., drain pipe	106 20
W. K. Baker & Son, freight of drain pipe	7 00
Arthur H. Petterson for gravel	12 00
Loud & Pratt for lumber	14 04
R. V. Barnes, trimming road on Summer Street	21 66
Wm. Coyle, labor on Webb Street	23 00
S. W. Gutterson, repairs on Washington Street	6 80
Elias Richards, treas. of fire district for land and removing fence to widen street	35 00
Bourk's express for carting	6 00
Sargent L. Stoddard, painting guide-boards	7 00
J. B. Rhines for lumber	11 66
A. Gaillardetz, setting edgestone	7 00
George E. Stoddard, damage for defect in high- way	50 00
James Moore for general repairs	163 12
“ “ “ snow plough	14 00
Loud & Pratt, lumber for bridge on Mill Street	11 73
James Moore, stock and labor for same	27 30
Day, Collins & Co. for drain pipe	102 27
Frank Gilligan, trimming road on Summer Street	10 90
“ “ “ “ Winter “	11 10
C. F. Pope, labor on drain, Washington St.	12 00
D. O. Connors, labor on drainage, Highland Place	10 00
Loud & Pratt for lumber	3 98
John Trafton, setting boundary-stones, West St.	3 25
Otis Cushing, freight of drain pipe	19 00
Leonard Gardner for labor and material on bridge on Mill St.	1 65
Avery S. Howe, general repairs	65 33
Francis Hollis, labor on Ann Street	203 75
Day, Collins & Co., drain pipe	11 14
Jason Holbrook, stone for bridge, Central Street	10 00
J. Farrington for labor on “ “	2 00
James Moore, contract for working Randolph St.	400 00
Otis Cushing, for freight	9 50
James Moore for building Central Street	27 50
“ “ Randolph Street	8 75
Wm. Tobin for labor on Lake Street	2 00

Paid Martin Flynn for labor on Lake Street	.	.		\$3 60
Elias Vining for boundary stones	.	.	.	6 60
Hobart & Humphrey for surveying	.	.	.	4 00
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				\$4,063 68

REMOVING SNOW.

Paid George Bennett, Ward 1	\$78 47
Bela French,	"	2	.	.	.	29 60
J. Mathewson,	"	2	.	.	.	11 40
John H. Thompson,	"	2	.	.	.	36 75
J. R. H. Williams,	"	3	.	.	.	57 75
James Moore,	"	4	.	.	.	61 23
A. S. Howe,	"	5	.	.	.	56 62
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						\$331 82

EXPENSE OF ROADS.

Paid highway surveyors	\$3,875 47
Expenses of land damage, damage from defects on highway, and repairs of roads and bridges	.					3,471 44
Removing snow	331 82
Hingham and Quincy Bridges	592 24
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Total payments for road purposes	\$8,270 97
Deduct lumber on hand Hingham and Quincy Bridges	.					268 25
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Total expense on roads	\$8,002 72

TOWN HOUSE.

Paid J. Loud & Co. for coal	\$13 77
J. F. Sheppard for coal	11 95
W. C. Austin for carting coal	.	.	.	.	.	3 00
" " " wood	.	.	.	.	.	8 75
Francis Tirrell for care of house	.	.	.	.	.	118 00
James Moore for grading	.	.	.	.	.	9 00
Wm. G. Nash for oil, etc.	.	.	.	.	.	29 18
Loud & Pratt for shingles	.	.	.	.	.	268 71
Wm. G. Nash for nails	.	.	.	.	.	17 17
Loud & Pratt for lumber	.	.	.	.	.	9 30
B. Ells for labor	.	.	.	.	.	106 00
F. W. Loud for carting	6 75
T. Barnard for masonry	4 00
L. Gardner for painting	1 00
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						\$606 58

LOCK-UP, WARD 2.

Paid A. J. Garey for shutters	\$12 25
“ “ care of lock-up	50 00
J. F. Sheppard for coal	6 12
W. C. Austin for carting coal	1 00
“ “ wood	7 12
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	\$76 49

LOCK-UP, WARD 3.

Paid J. Binney for incidentals	\$4 00
“ “ care of lock-up	43 00
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	\$47 00

LOCK-UP, WARD 5.

Paid J. Farrington, care of lock-up	\$43 64
“ “ extra for tramps	13 00
J. Loud & Co. for coal	7 25
W. C. Austin for carting coal	1 00
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	\$64 89
Lock-ups	\$188 38

PRINTING.

Paid A. Mudge & Son	\$521 17
C. G. Easterbrook	110 63
Boston Journal for advertising	6 13
A. W. Blanchard	3 00
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	\$640 93

TOWN OFFICERS.

CLERK.

Paid Francis Ambler	\$40 00
“ “ for recording marriages, births, and deaths	166 70
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	\$206 70

TREASURER AND COLLECTOR.

Paid Oran White	\$450 00
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SELECTMEN AND OVERSEERS.

Paid James Humphrey	\$55 00
J. W. Bartlett	151 60
Z. L. Bicknell	94 23
Thomas H. Humphrey	161 00
Francis Ambler	231 31
William Nash	167 85
Noah Vining	324 75
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	\$1,185 74

ASSESSORS.

Paid Cornelius T. Robbins	\$136	00
William W. Raymond	152	50
Elias Richards	.	.	.	.	.	.	159	00
Oran White	.	.	.	.	.	.	172	50
Noah Vining	.	.	.	.	.	.	167	35
Wilmot Cleverly	.	.	.	.	.	.	8	00
							\$795	35

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

Paid C. C. Tower, services	\$17 00
F. W. Lewis, services	18 00
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							\$35 00

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS.

Paid F. B. Gamwell	\$1,340 00
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VISITORS TO ALMSHOUSE.

Paid Mrs. Eleanor Holmes	\$16 00
Mrs. A. W. Paine	4 00
Mrs. Benj. Holbrook	9 00
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							\$29 00

AUDITORS.

Paid J. A. Cushing	\$3 00
Elias S. Beals	6 00
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							\$9 00

CONSTABLES.

Paid S. M. Holbrook	\$7 00
A. J. Garey	122 50
B. F. Robinson	133 00
C. C. Tinkham	8 00
I. N. Tirrell	9 50
Geo. W. White, Jr.	20 50
Wilmot Cleverly	4 00
F. B. Vinson	4 00
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	\$308 50

POLICE

PREVIOUS TO MARCH MEETING, 1876.

Paid A. J. Garey	\$118 00
Josiah H. Pratt	12 76
S. M. Holbrook	134 00
C. C. Tinkham	15 00
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	\$279 76

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES.

Paid Leonard Gardner	\$105 55
Total expense of Town Officers	<hr/> \$4,749 60

MISCELLANEOUS.

Paid Comstock, Cline & Co., map	\$10 00
J. Humphrey, cash paid for distributing town reports	4 50
Bela French, cash paid for distributing town reports	5 00
J. R. H. Williams for distributing town reports	4 00
Asa Pool for distributing town reports	8 00
E. D. C. Derby, drawing engine to fire, Ward 3, Nov. 27, 1875	3 00
James R. Smith, refreshments at fire, Ward 3, Nov. 27, 1875	15 74

Paid A. F. Thayer, use of horse at fire, Ward 3, Nov.	
27, 1875	\$3 00
J. Binney, refreshments at S. S. Foye's fire . .	10 25
A. J. Bates & Co., " " " . .	3 75
J. G. Worster, " " " . .	84
M. L. Cushing, drawing engine to fire of J. S. Clapp	5 00
B. F. Shaw, refreshments at J. S. Clapp's fire .	8 71
N. Stowell, " at Mrs. Cushing's fire .	3 25
H. Rockwood, refreshments at fire at O'Meara's, Union Street	10 81
J. C. Wendall, dinners to town officers . .	11 00
N. Vining, cash paid H. W. Paine for opinion on taxation	15 00
Post 58, G. A. R., for Decoration Day . .	300 00
Leonard Gardner, weights and yard stick . .	13 14
W. W. Raymond, cash paid for assessors' book .	6 88
E. Richards, cash paid for collector's book . .	8 00
Treasurer of State for State tax on licenses . .	62 50
Matthew Hawkes for drawing engine to fire Nov., 1875	8 00
J. G. Worster & Co., refreshments for fire Nov., 1875	30 66
George H. Cushing, horse hire	12 00
E. Bourk, horse hire	16 40
H. Newton, care of soldiers' monument . .	30 00
Town of Holbrook, one half expense of stone boundary	4 00
B. F. Robinson, expense of dog license . .	10 00
F. B. Vinson, " "	5 00
F. Ambler, stationery	12 18
W. B. Lougee, returning deaths	4 50
J. E. Rice, " "	6 00
Samuel Curtis, " "	24 50
W. K. Baker & Son, expressing	95
Geo. S. Baker for boards for check list . .	1 00
Z. L. Bicknell & Co., pens for Town House . .	70
H. Rockwood for school books to Widow Leahy .	1 83
" " F. Gilligan . .	80
" " J. Withington . .	1 20
" " Widow Hickey . .	7 16
H. Loud for school books to J. Fennell . .	54

Paid H. Loud for school books to L. McFaun .	\$1 18
“ “ M. Cronin .	65
“ “ G. Husbands .	1 52
W. G. Nash for school books to F. Gilligan .	4 45
“ “ Widow P. Burke .	3 15
F. Ambler for school books to Alex. White .	8 84
“ “ T. Coyle .	50
“ “ J. Kennedy .	2 49
“ “ Widow Crothy .	75
“ “ M. Doran .	10 97
“ “ Widow Buckley .	1 20
“ “ Dan'l Donovan .	4 83
“ “ Wm. Whelan .	90
“ “ T. Ford .	2 00
“ “ J. Maglen .	80
“ “ E. Murphy .	1 78
“ “ J. Horgan .	4 60
“ “ Widow Hassett .	1 13
“ “ S. White .	3 26
“ “ H. Cronin .	1 78
“ “ Wm. Welch .	1 43
J. W. Bartlett for school books to P. McCue .	1 04
“ “ Widow Chapel .	98
“ “ D. B. White .	26
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	\$750 28

STATE AID,

PAID FROM JAN. 1, 1875, TO JAN. 1, 1876.

Walter S. Adlington	\$48 00
Frank Alger	48 00
Andrew J. Baker	86 93
Otis Blanchard	48 00
Charles H. Burrell, 2d	72 00
Robert Buttermore	76 00
Howard Baker	60 00
Alonzo Blanchard	36 00
Frederick T. Bicknell	48 00
Galen A. Carter	52 00
Francis E. Coolidge	48 00
Charles A. Crocker	48 00
Patrick Cahill	24 00

Elias H. Deere	\$24 00
Joseph T. Dane	48 00
John C. Eldridge	120 00
Benjamin F. Foss	48 00
John Fennell	52 50
I. Justin Fearing	48 00
James Ford	60 00
Jacob Gardner, Jr.	84 00
Edward B. Gardner	120 00
James R. Gilligan	60 00
Andrew J. Garey	72 00
Frederick J. Gammons	48 00
Lyman T. Holmes	48 00
John Hope	120 00
Henry S. Hollis	48 00
Cornelius Healey	48 00
John Horgan	68 00
William A. Harrington	24 00
Patrick Howley	24 00
Thomas Howley	54 00
Geo. F. Hayden	33 00
Riley E. Jenkins	72 00
Benjamin R. Kennison	36 00
Daniel E. Louney	48 00
William A. Lewis	48 00
Daniel Lamson	48 00
Lemuel P. Littlefield	96 00
Charles T. Linfield	48 00
Ellis V. Lyon	96 00
Patrick Lynch	48 00
John Logue	4 50
Adnah G. Leach	5 64
Patrick McCue	48 50
William McNair	72 00
Andrew Mahoney	48 00
Charles J. McMorrow	72 00
William F. Merchant	24 00
Aaron P. Nash, Jr.	72 00
Benjamin F. Pratt, 2d	120 00
James Pratt	44 00
Charles F. Pray	48 00
Nathaniel B. Peare	84 00

Elijah Prouty	\$92 00
Benj. F. Pratt, 3d	68 00
Francis B. Pratt	36 00
Alfred Peterson	21 00
William J. Pedman	67 00
Charles H. Pratt, 2d	72 00
Josiah Q. Pratt	96 00
Henry Perry	48 00
Benjamin F. Robinson	84 00
Geo. W. Russ	96 00
Michael Riley	149 60
Samuel J. Ross	36 00
Sargent L. Stoddard	84 00
William W. Smith	48 00
Edward Slattery	168 00
Owen Smith	18 00
Oliver B. Stackpole	48 00
Andrew J. Shaw	36 00
John G. Slattery	48 00
Nelson H. Snow	32 00
Samuel C. Taylor	48 00
Naaman Torrey	38 00
William F. Thayer	48 00
Stillman Thayer	48 00
Isaac Thomas	72 00
Christopher P. Tower	72 00
Patrick Ward	51 75
Edwin Walker	54 00
Gilbert F. Willett	48 00
James Weeks	48 00

\$5,004 42

NOTES PAID.

For money borrowed in anticipation of taxes . . .	\$30,000 00
For note due estate of Lovell Bicknell . . .	800 00

\$30,800 00

INTEREST PAID.

On 16 \$1,000 bonds, 6 per cent, due May 1, 1877 .	\$960 00
“ notes due the estate of A. Holbrook . . .	482 00
“ “ Joseph Totman	300 59

On notes due Joseph R. Totman	\$383 37
“ “ Thomas Humphrey	232 41
“ “ James Torrey	141 80
East Weymouth Savings Bank	149 93
*Pratt School Fund	318 34
Discount on notes in anticipation of taxes	415 39
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	\$3,383 83

Paid engine men the amount of poll tax as follows:—

To 32 members of Conqueror Engine Co.	\$64 00
“ 10 “ “ Extinguisher Co.	20 00
“ 9 “ “ Hook and Ladder Co.	18 00
“ 46 “ “ Amazon Engine Co.	92 00
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	\$194 00

STATE AND COUNTY TAXES.

State tax	\$6,084 00
County tax	5,009 82
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	\$11,093 82

DISCOUNT AND REMITTANCES.

Discount on taxes	\$1,995 75
Remittance on taxes assessed in 1874	202 80
“ “ “ “ “ 1875	782 36
“ “ “ “ “ 1876	142 70
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	\$3,123 61

RECAPITULATION.

Received from all sources	\$135,654 52
Deduct amount received from Overseers of Poor and credited in Poor Account	848 19
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	\$134,806 33

EXPENDITURES.

On account of schools	\$24,523 22
repairs of school-houses	2,204 74
new school-house	1,913 29
roads	8,270 97
Town House	606 58

* The interest paid was for two years, there being no trustee to receive the interest due in the year 1875.

On account of lock-ups	\$188 38	
printing	640 93	
town officers	4,749 60	
miscellaneous	750 28	
State aid	5,004 42	
notes paid	30,800 00	
interest	3,383 83	
State tax	6,084 00	
county tax	5,009 82	
discount and remittances . .	3,123 61	
town poor	8,555 64	
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		\$28,997 02

TOWN DEBT.

Sixteen 6 per cent \$1,000 bonds, due May 1, 1877 .	\$16,000 00
Joseph Totman's note, 6 per cent	4,200 00
Joseph R. Totman's note, 6 per cent	6,000 00
Thomas Humphrey's " "	3,000 00
James Torrey's " "	2,100 00
F. D. Pratt, trustee for Pratt School Fund, 6 per cent .	3,092 00
East Weymouth Savings Bank, 6 per cent	2,500 00
South " " " "	6,000 00
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	\$42,892 00

ASSETS.

Cash in treasury, including taxes due .	\$28,997 02	
Due from State on State aid account .	4,948 42	
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		\$8,946 56

We recommend the following appropriations for the current year,
viz. : —

For public schools, estimate of School Committee .	\$23,500 00
Repairs of school-houses	1,500 00
Roads and bridges	12,000 00
Support of poor	8,000 00
Town officers	3,000 00
Police and lock-ups	1,000 00
Interest	3,000 00

For discounts and remittances	.	.	.	.	.	.	3,000 00
Memorial Day	.	.	.	.	.	.	300 00
Printing	.	.	.	.	.	.	600 00
Miscellaneous	.	.	.	.	.	.	1,000 00
							<hr/> \$56,900 00

REPORT OF THE OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

THE undersigned respectfully submit the result of their ministrations as almoners of the town's charity, for the year ending December 31, 1876.

The almshouse and Town Farm have been in charge during the past year of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Austin, at a salary of \$500. The inmates have been cared for by the master and matron to the entire satisfaction of the Overseers.

Two deaths have occurred in the almshouse during the year. The whole number of paupers in the house during the year has been thirty-two, the average number has been twenty-two, and the number at its close is twenty-two. The cost of support for each pauper has been \$1.57 per week.

The application for relief outside of the house has been large, and we have been as discreet as our feelings of sympathy and our official responsibility would allow. There seems to be a growing disposition to receive aid out of the house; and where persons are wholly dependent, with no prospect of ever being able to do anything towards their own support, it would seem more economical to maintain them in the house used for invalids, where the town willingly supplies all their wants.

NOAH VINING,
FRANCIS AMBLER,
JOHN W. BARTLETT,
THOS. H. HUMPHREY,
WILLIAM NASH,

Overseers of the Poor of Weymouth.

WEYMOUTH, Jan. 1, 1877.

ACCOUNT OF GOODS BOUGHT IN 1876.

Paid Joseph Loud & Co., coal and grain . . .	\$292 19
Joel F. Sheppard for coal . . .	203 15
Newton & Beal, goods . . .	27 04
Stewart Noyes & Co., flour . . .	110 13
C. E. Moody, groceries . . .	139 84
Bicknell Brothers, goods . . .	79 92
J. W. Bartlett, " . . .	75 31
Cushman & Baker, wagon . . .	130 00
E. Bourk, manure . . .	55 69
T. B. Porter, " . . .	45 50
A. F. Thayer, " . . .	27 12
Jacob Loud, wood . . .	17 75
C. B. Loud, " . . .	60 00
Samuel Curtis' funeral expenses . . .	33 50
J. B. Rhines & Co., lumber . . .	2 56
F. Ambler, medicines, etc. . . .	17 54
W. G. Nash, goods . . .	19 63
S. W. Pratt, repairs . . .	5 55
E. Nickerson & Co., fish . . .	4 75
B. H. Everett, repairs . . .	21 50
G. W. Fay, M. D., professional services . . .	40 50
F. F. Forsaith, M. D., " . . .	6 00
Baptist Society, pew rent . . .	20 00
L. W. Hobart & Son, rye meal . . .	2 40
W. K. Baker & Son, expressing . . .	4 25
Geo. F. Kimball, groceries . . .	28 41
R. Gillispie, horse shoeing . . .	3 50
Thomas South, blacksmithing . . .	24 40
J. B. Howe & Son, bread . . .	14 08
Eaton —, meat . . .	12 48
J. G. Worster, meat . . .	3 07
Cash for beef . . .	7 38
J. Breck & Son, plough and seeds . . .	33 68
Town of Hingham, sea-weed, etc. . . .	4 50
Nilson & Co., dry goods . . .	2 50
M. K. Pratt, newspaper . . .	9 30
C. G. Easterbrook, newspaper . . .	2 00
W. O. Austin, painting . . .	6 00
Geo. W. Simmons, pants . . .	4 50

Paid cash, beef	\$4 80
J. Torrey, soap	26 00
Whittemore Bros., farming tools	7 25
M. H. Read, clothing	3 00
S. W. Gutterson, pigs	20 00
J. Cushman, wood (old bill)	8 00
Haskell & Adams, Graham flour	6 00
H. Binney, butchering	6 00
B. F. Shaw & Son, goods	4 85
J. M. Walsh, repairing harness	5 18
J. West, paint	5 51
Cash for provisions	7 98
Travelling expenses	6 75
J. Crane for boots and stock	3 95
Gratuities to inmates	2 90
Labor	4 00
Geo. W. Austin, vinegar	6 25
Cash for sundry dry goods	12 21
Geo. W. Baker, for filing saws, etc.	2 15
Lemuel Baxter, sale leather	7 25
Lyman & Gibbs, dry goods	2 50
Cash for garden seeds	1 55
Murray & Wiley for dry goods	1 17
G. W. Hersey, paint	1 60
R. Burrell for fowls	1 00
W. T. Shaw for sea-weed	50
Cash for plough point	37
Josiah Martin for meat	71 88
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	\$1,828 22

RECEIVED FOR PRODUCE, ETC.

Of John W. Bartlett	\$22 63
B. F. Shaw	12 83
Cash for milk	44 16
Cash for eggs, fowl, onions, etc.	7 75
F. Burrell for wood	3 50
Cash for wood	2 00
“ for butter	11 75
“ for meat	2 59
“ for labor	3 75
T. Howley for board	2 00

Received for wood and coal to the poor outside of the house	\$403 99
Received for labor and carting the same	91 50
Received for carting coal to school-houses, Town House, and lock-ups	164 77
Received for fuel for schools, Town House, and lock-up	78 87
Received of J. Martin for calves	34 50
Received for board of Mrs. R. Carney	156 00
“ “ Stephen Humphrey	73 00
“ “ Hannah Pedman	28 00
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	\$1,143 59

OVERSEERS.

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To cash paid for goods, etc.	\$1,828 22
“ W. C. Austin for services	500 00
Rent of farm	300 00
Inventory Jan. 1, 1876	3,058 50
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	\$5,686 72

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By cash received for produce, etc.	\$1,143 59
Inventory, Jan. 1, 1877	2,687 10
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	\$3,830 69
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	\$1,856 03

Amount due from sundry persons for produce, etc., Jan. 1, 1877, and not included in the above	66 36
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Total expense of the almshouse	\$1,789 67

EXPENSE POOR OUT OF THE HOUSE.

State Lunatic Asylum, Worcester, for support of Mary E. Foye	\$16 00
Ellen S. Lowrey	48 17
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	\$64 17

City of Boston, support of Clarissa Bates	.	.	.	\$6 37
“ “ Catherine Hurley	.	.	.	24 55
“ “ Lydia Rich	.	.	.	70 25
“ “ Harriet Stetson	.	.	.	130 37
“ “ Elizabeth C. Tirrell	.	.	.	12 00
“ “ Mary D. Hurley	.	.	.	10 00
“ “ Thomas Griffin	.	.	.	14 20
“ “ William Long	.	.	.	20 30
“ “ John M. Young	.	.	.	21 05
“ “ Edward Coleman	.	.	.	8 20
“ “ Geo. W. Dyer	.	.	.	4 10
“ “ Sophia Rowley	.	.	.	8 20
“ “ Dennis Coakley	.	.	.	6 50
“ “ Augusta Cushing	.	.	.	12 00
“ “ Mary E. Parry	.	.	.	46 42
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				\$394 51

\$162.49 of this bill of \$394.51 was for the support of the Poor from April 1, 1875, to April 1, 1876.

State Lunatic Asylum, Taunton :

For support of Elizabeth Leach	.	.	.	.	\$205 25
“ “ Eliza S. McCue	.	.	.	.	192 44
“ “ Margaret Lonergan	.	.	.	.	186 65
“ “ J. B. O. Keefe	.	.	.	.	192 75
“ “ James H. Lloyd	.	.	.	.	198 70
“ “ Elmer Crocker	206 25
“ “ Wm. R. Rogers	208 77
“ “ Hannah Joyce	186 62
“ “ C. H. Copeland	192 00
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					\$1,769 43
Josiah M. Pratt	\$228 74
Isaac Linfield	119 00
Daniel Donovan	168 25
Stephen A. Bicknell (\$52 old bill)	124 00
Widow Little	.	.	.	.	75 74
Roswell Corban	.	.	.	.	80 25
Family of R. G. Skinner	.	.	.	.	156 00
Ira Raymond	.	.	.	.	153 86
Lois Dyer	.	.	.	.	55 00
Widow J. Hassett	.	.	.	.	170 00

Hickey Family	\$226 25
Wid. O'Connell	57 25
Mrs. Peter P. Burke	26 50
Widow O'Hern	19 50
Wm. Holbrook	94 00
Widow J. J. Pool	58 00
Francis Gilligan	171 77
Asa Hollis and wife	105 00
Lydia Clark	65 00
Lucretia Derby	156 00
Child of G. W. Bowles	26 00
William Fogarty	57 50
James T. Borden	124 40
Judah Worthington	116 25
Widow P. Cronin	64 45
“ Susan F. Larmey	166 00
P. W. Maxim	104 00
I. L. Wing	132 00
Wife of Barney Pratt	50 25
Widow Mary White	76 00
Benjamin Dyer	68 00
Anna Cane	7 20
Webster Sutton	12 88
Harrison O. Carroll	32 41
Thomas Kelly	219 71
LaRoy Hollis	30 75
Benjamin Wales Orcutt	12 00
W. Sculley	6 15
James Hines	4 50
George Willis	1 68
Family of Richard Spear	131 00
Napoleon Tellier	49 00
Alexander White	143 28
Michael Doran	34 46
Paul White	26 49
Widow Thomas Wall	62 75
Michael Wade	82 50
Widow Carey	29 62
Benj. Pratt for son	65 00
John Dunn (widow of)	39 75
H. B. McFawn	67 43
Widow Perry	4 75

Hugh Cronin	\$25 05
Widow Patrick Wall	22 99
J. R. Burns	11 75
Widow Sarah Green	23 50
T. Kimball	5 08
Patrick McCue, 2d	16 50
Widow Patrick Lynch	10 00
“ John Clark	65 25
“ Leahey	23 75
“ Thos. Gilligan	18 25
Bradley child	2 00
Byron Loud's family (to town of Holbrook)	30 00
Willie Dean (to town of Holbrook)	6 00
Mary F. Howland (to Industrial School at Lancaster)	26 14
Catherine Slattery	30 00
Wife of Elbridge Reed (to town of South Abington)	58 53
Mary E. Barnes (to city of New Bedford)	21 85
Betsey Jeffers “ “	69 25
Henry B. Makepeace “ “	25 30
Delia Howland “ “	36 00
Mary F. Howland “ “	27 58
Mary E. Nason (of Braintree)	35 50
Widow Jane Smith (of Braintree)	18 53
J. T. Welch “	3 65
Margaret Burke (of Boston)	48 75
Widow J. C. Buckley (of Randolph)	208 00
“ M. M. Pike (of Newburyport)	56 75
“ Isabella Nelson (of Rockland)	62 00
Lock-up, Ward 5	56 64
J. D. Partridge (of Marshfield)	10 00
Family of Thomas Murphy (of Abington)	55 00
Henry Smith (Cambridge House of Correction)	3 43
B. F. Robinson for car fare to Worcester for Miss Foye	1 50
John Gray	2 00
Charlotte Pratt (to town of Hanover)	53 40
Eliza Landey (of the State)	8 75
Family of Gilbert Ford (of Abington)	60 25
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	\$7,625 30

Deduct amount received from :

Town of Abington	\$115 25
“ Rockland	62 00

Town of Braintree	\$57 90	
“ Randolph	208 00	
“ Marshfield	10 00	
City of Newburyport	56 75	
Received for support of Ellen S. Lowrey .	48 17	
“ “ Eliza McCue .	33 12	
	<hr/>	\$591 19
Cost of poor out of the house		<hr/> \$7,034 11

RECAPITULATION.

Support of poor in the house	\$1,856 03
“ “ out of the house	\$7,034 11
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	\$8,890 14
Rent of farm	300 00
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	\$8,590 14

NOAH VINING,
 FRANCIS AMBLER,
 JOHN W. BARTLETT,
 THOS. H. HUMPHREY,
 WILLIAM NASH,
Overseers of Poor.

PAUPERS IN THE ALMSHOUSE

From Jan. 1, 1876, to Jan. 1, 1877.

Date.	Name.	Age.	Discharged.	Weeks.	Days.
Jan. 1,	Samuel Badlam	72	Died Oct. 7, 1876 . . .	41	
	Elizabeth Tirrell	56	. . . . .	52	2
	Alonzo Tirrell	36	. . . . .	52	2
	George Loud	34	. . . . .	52	2
	La Roy Tirrell	34	. . . . .	52	2
	Lucy Thayer	52	. . . . .	52	2
	Stephen Humphrey	79	. . . . .	52	2
	Elbridge Colson	51	. . . . .	52	2
	Mary F. Gray	34	. . . . .	52	2
	William H. Gray	5	Died March 7, 1876 . .	9	4
	William W. Dean	18	June 9. Re-admitted Dec. 13	25	4
	Albert Joyce	73	. . . . .	52	2
	Elizabeth F. Ware	71	July 28	30	
	Hiram Blanchard	57	. . . . .	52	2
	Mary F. Rosey	41	. . . . .	52	2
	Rose Carney	71	. . . . .	52	2
	Elizabeth C. Tirrell	21	. . . . .	52	2
	Barney Lynch	65	Aug. 21. Re-admitted Sept. 11	49	
	Lucius Alden Tirrell	31	. . . . .	52	2
Jan. 20,	Benjamin Dyer	52	April 4. Re-admitted Oct. 28. Discharged Dec. 26	19	1
				48	4
" 27,	Barney Pratt	67	. . . . .	48	
" 19,	Hannah Pedman	53	Jan. 28. Re-admitted March 7	44	
Feb. 21,	Hannah B. McFawn	25	Feb. 24 . . . . .	..	3
April 6,	Nathaniel A. Thayer	47	May 10	4	6
July 4,	John F. Gray	26	July 11	1	
" 18,	Sally Carroll	50	Sept. 17	8	5
" 18,	Thomas Howley	60	July 22 . . . . .	..	4
Oct. 24,	Wilton S. Rosey	17	. . . . .	9	5
" 25,	George Willis	50	. . . . .	9	4
Dec. 4,	Wm. Crowley	30	. . . . .	3	6
" 5,	John W. Hollis	24	Dec. 26	3	
" 19,	Daniel Henry	35	. . . . .	1	5
	Vagrants . . . . .	..	. . . . .	101	3

INVENTORY OF LIVE STOCK, FARMING IMPLEMENTS,
WOOD, HAY, PROVISIONS, ETC.

2 Horses,	\$350 00	2 Scythes,	\$2 00
5 Cows,	200 00	7 Snaths,	3 00
3 Pigs,	55 00	2 Bush scythes and snaths,	2 00
14 Fowls,	10 00	10 Rakes,	2 00
2 Ox-carts,	25 00	2 Drag rakes,	2 00
1 Sled,	15 00	6 Hay forks,	3 00
2 Farm wagons,	175 00	2 Hay poles,	50
1 Hay wagon,	20 00	1 Hay cutter,	7 00
2 Horse carts,	60 00	2 Hay ropes,	1 00
1 Covered wagon,	140 00	1 Grindstone,	2 00
1 Open wagon,	5 00	10 Shovels,	5 00
1 Sleigh,	2 00	4 Manure forks,	4 00
1 Pung,	20 00	9 Hoes,	3 00
2 Wheelbarrows,	4 00	1 Onion hoe,	50
1 Roller,	5 00	1 Potato hoe,	50
1 Wheel drag,	8 00	2 Grub hoes,	50
1 Snow-plough,	2 00	1 Spade,	50
2 mowing-machines,	50 00	1 Iron rake,	25
1 Horse rake,	2 00	3 Iron bars,	5 00
6 Ploughs,	25 00	3 Pickaxes,	3 00
1 Horse hoe,	2 00	1 Bush hook,	1 00
1 Bucklin harrow,	7 00	2 Flails,	1 00
1 Two-horse harrow,	18 00	1 Corn-sheller,	3 00
1 One-horse harrow,	3 00	1 Winnowing-machine,	1 00
1 Double harness,	15 00	1 Meal chest and feeding	
1 Single harness,	5 00	trough,	4 00
2 Cart harnesses,	5 00	1 Swill box,	2 00
4 Yokes,	8 00	11 Axes,	6 00
1 Chain harness,	4 00	3 Wood saws and 4 horses,	5 00
4 Whiffle-trees and chains,	4 00	5 Iron wedges and a	
1 Robe,	2 00	beetle,	2 50
3 Halters,	2 00	1 Hatchet,	25
3 Blankets,	2 00	1 Chest of tools,	5 00
2 Surcingles,	1 00	2 Stone hammers,	4 00
Brush, curry-comb		1 Set stone tools,	4 00
and cards,	1 00	3 Ladders,	3 00
4 Draft chains,	5 00	1 Pair steps,	1 00
3 Stake chains,	3 00	2 Hog hooks,	1 00

Blocks and rope,	\$2 00	40 Lbs. butter,	\$16 00
1 Wrench,	1 00	600 Lbs. pork,	66 00
1 Set measures,	1 00	300 Lbs. ham,	33 00
1 Cheese-press & fixtures,	1 00	1 Bbl. flour,	10 50
2 Baskets,	1 00	5 Galls. molasses,	2 50
1 Hogshead,	50	17 Lbs. tobacco,	10 00
$\frac{1}{2}$ Hogshead,	50	75 Lbs. lard,	9 00
20 Barrels,	2 00	1 Lb. coffee,	10
131 Rails,	7 00	4 Lbs. tea,	2 00
40 Posts,	4 00	150 Lbs. sugar,	15 00
4 Tons coal,	25 00	70 Lbs. soap,	5 50
33 Cords hard wood,	304 00	1 Bbl. soap,	5 00
7 Cords of pine wood,	42 00	2 Casks,	1 00
30 Cords of manure,	240 00	5 Pork barrels,	3 00
12 Tons of English hay,	264 00	2 Churns,	2 00
$1\frac{1}{2}$ Tons of salt hay,	21 00	1 Ice chest,	2 00
4 Bush. of meal,	3 00	1 Force pump,	3 00
10 Bush. of corn,	10 00	2 Lanterns,	1 00
1 Grain chest,	4 00	1 Pair shoes,	1 50
4 Meal bags,	1 00	1 Cylinder stove,	3 00
1 Pair balances,	4 00	Salt,	2 00
40 Lbs dried apples,	5 00	17 Galls. kerosene oil,	8 00
$2\frac{1}{2}$ Tons of carrots and		5 Bbls. apples,	7 50
turnips,	25 00	Standing wood,	25 00
120 Bush. potatoes,	80 00	50 Lbs. beef,	3 50
12 Bush. beets,	6 00	Spices,	8 50
Onions,	4 00	1 Drag,	5 00
Beans,	25 00		
Squashes and pumpkins,	3 00		
			<hr/> \$2,687 10

E. S. BEALS,
ELIAS RICHARDS, } *Auditors.*

WEYMOUTH, Jan. 9, 1877.

MARRIAGES

Registered in the Town Clerk's Office, for the year 1876, where one or both parties were residents of Weymouth.

1876.

Date of Marriage.

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| Jan. | 1. | Walter B. Staples of Weymouth and Adeline F. Burbank of Cohasset. |
| " | 26. | George L. Gardner and Nancy E. Vining, both of Weymouth. |
| " | 27. | Francis A. Dunbar of Hingham and Martha M. Bowles of Weymouth. |
| " | 30. | Amasa D. Stoddard and Charlotte N. Vining, both of Weymouth. |
| " | 30. | Frank L. Shores and Emma J. Ford, both of Weymouth. |
| Feb. | 12. | John R. Thomas and Fannie E. Hollis, both of Weymouth. |
| " | 13. | Wm. S. Lovett of Weymouth and Alma F. Vinton of Rockland. |
| " | 22. | Charles O. Spurr and Amelia E. Reed, both of Weymouth. |
| " | 27. | Nicholas J. Grant and Catherine E. Donovan, both of Weymouth. |
| March | 8. | Hinchman S. Dennison of Freeport, Me., and Emma I. Richards of Weymouth. |
| " | 11. | George W. Walsh and Nellie L. Kennison, both of Weymouth. |
| " | 12. | Robert F. Burrell of Weymouth and Mary A. Ring of Abington. |
| " | 13. | Arthur H. Pratt and Alice M. Richardson, both of Weymouth. |
| " | 18. | Albert F. Pratt and Mary A. Dyer, both of Weymouth. |
| " | 30. | Frank W. Brown of Abington and Sarah W. Garey of Weymouth. |
| April | 8. | Joshua Crosby of Hingham and Ann M. Holbrook of Weymouth. |
| " | 10. | Wm. E. Shaw and Lizzie I. Smith, both of Weymouth. |
| " | 23. | C. Will. Bailey and Eva F. Raymond, both of Weymouth. |

- April 23. Frances F. Tirrell of Weymouth and Laura F. Piper of Salem.
- “ 27. Horace G. Beal of Abington and Lucia E. Trott of Weymouth.
- “ 27. James D. Sherman and Mary R. Burrell, both of Weymouth.
- May 1. Albert F. Spear and Mary B. Blanchard, both of Weymouth.
- “ 3. James J. Hennesey and Mary A. Tracy, both of Weymouth.
- “ 7. Bartholomew Smith and Ellen Connor, both of Weymouth.
- “ 8. Austin Ryan and Nellie F. Burke, both of Weymouth.
- “ 17. John McLaughlin, Jr., of Weymouth, and Julia A. Thompson of Hingham.
- June 7. Albert F. Clapp of Weymouth, and Sarah A. Vibert of Weathersfield, Conn.
- “ 8. Nathan E. Joy and Hannah E. Neal, both of Weymouth.
- “ 12. Atherton W. Tilden and Flora A. Colson, both of Weymouth.
- “ 18. Edward E. Grover of Weymouth and Henrietta F. Motte of North Scituate.
- “ 18. Thomas Smith and Sarah Ward, both of Weymouth.
- “ 25. Robert Mills and Sarah J. Blanchard, both of Weymouth.
- July 5. Munroe D. Orcutt and Delia T. Brownell, both of Weymouth.
- “ 6. Samuel W. Kendall, Jr., of Newton, and Minerva B. Howe of Weymouth.
- “ 8. John DeHon and Mary DeCase, both of Weymouth.
- “ 10. Wm. N. Marden and Abbie A. Nichols, both of Weymouth.
- “ 12. Willard H. Sampson and Isabella S. Pratt, both of Weymouth.
- “ 16. Alfred Peterson and Mary A. Robinson, both of Weymouth.
- “ 20. Oscar Hazley of Weymouth and Fanny Kenney of Hingham.
- “ 26. Frederick Blanchard and Mary L. Burrell, both of Weymouth.
- “ 37. James Duncan of Weymouth and Mary T. Bertsch of Hingham.
- “ 29. Franklin T. Blanchard and Emeline A. Sampson, both of Weymouth.

- Aug. 1. Frank W. Ingham of Boston and Laura M. North of Weymouth.
- “ 3. Oran P. Shaw and Sophia Gifford, both of Weymouth.
- “ 5. Franklin Blanchard and Emma Townsend, both of Weymouth.
- “ 7. Solomon L. Doble and Jennie F. Feltung, both of Weymouth.
- “ 8. Frank H. Torrey and Bessie B. Lovell, both of Weymouth.
- “ 8. Lorenzo Souther of Hingham and Ella F. Porter of Weymouth.
- “ 10. John Gerity and Ellen Dempsey, both of Weymouth.
- “ 13. Bradford H. Leonard of Taunton and Lucinda W. Chandler of Weymouth.
- “ 14. Richard Young and Annie W. Darcy, both of Weymouth.
- “ 14. Reinier James, Jr., of Hull, and Isabella Smith of Weymouth.
- “ 25. Robert Dee of Weymouth and Mary Donohue of Braintree.
- “ 26. George H. Nelson and Ella J. Orr, both of Weymouth.
- “ 26. Benj. D. Gilbert of Weymouth and Ada L. Alexander of Randolph.
- “ 26. John Delory of Quincy and Sarah Mullens of Weymouth.
- Sept. 9. Amos S. Hubbard and Estelle Thomas, both of Weymouth.
- “ 14. Walter D. Pratt and Carrie E. White, both of Weymouth.
- “ 17. Clarence E. Orcutt of Weymouth and Emma J. Howes of Hingham.
- “ 20. George W. Gardner and Lizzie Damon, both of Weymouth.
- “ 22. James T. Higgins of Abington and Ellen Rice of Weymouth.
- “ 26. Benjamin White and Mary J. De Coste, both of Weymouth.
- Oct. 1. Joshua F. Studley of Rockland and Anna E. Foye of Weymouth.
- “ 9. Henry A. Poe and Elsie C. Pray, both of Weymouth.
- “ 11. Albert J. Osgood of Lowell and Emma C. Salisbury of Weymouth.
- “ 11. Julius Pratt of Weymouth and M. Alice Dunton of Braintree.
- “ 16. Clifford I. Manter of Taunton and Charlotte C. Blanchard of Weymouth.

- Oct. 18. Willard K. Richards of Braintree and Ella C. Baker of Weymouth.
- “ 24. Arthur W. Bartlett of Weymouth and Nellie M. Williams of Hingham.
- “ 25. John E. Rockwood of Weymouth and Mary J. Farnum of Worcester.
- “ 25. Austin B. Shaw and Abby A. Burrell of Weymouth.
- “ 25. Anthony Mullins and Margaret J. Monks of Weymouth.
- Nov. 2. Elbridge Nash and Mary E. Hardy, both of Weymouth.
- “ 2. George P. Niles and Annie F. Tilden, both of Weymouth.
- “ 9. James F. Moran of Weymouth and Mary Murphy of Rockland.
- “ 10. Thomas Boyd and Mary E. Martin, both of Weymouth.
- “ 12. Wm. Callihan and Mary Fitz Patrick, both of Weymouth.
- “ 19. Ezra S. Wright and Hattie R. Pool, both of Weymouth.
- “ 21. Daniel O. Brown and Charlotte H. Hobart, both of Weymouth.
- “ 23. Timothy Higgins of Stoughton and Mary E. Daley of Weymouth.
- “ 26. Edward A. Young and Sarah E. Kenerson, both of Weymouth.
- “ 28. Cornelius O. Connell and Mary Green, both of Weymouth.
- “ 29. George P. Dunbar and Anna S. Cushing, both of Weymouth.
- “ 29. Thomas Arnold of Abington and Susan E. Paine of Weymouth.
- “ 29. Jacob F. Loud of Weymouth and Ellen M. Barnes of Hingham.
- “ 30. Martin H. White and Martha J. Lougee, both of Weymouth.
- Dec. 6. Charles E. Childs and Julia Cullen, both of Weymouth.
- “ 19. James B. Pratt and Lucinda B. French, both of Weymouth.
- “ 24. Frank E. Lovell of Providence, R. I., and Ida J. Burrell of Weymouth.
- “ 25. Edward N. Dyer and Frances E. Bartlett, both of Weymouth.
- “ 25. Dennis Halnan of Weymouth and Hannora Barry of Hingham.
- “ 26. Samuel R. Slack of Braintree and Helen M. Dunbar of Weymouth.
- “ 31. Irving A. Sherman and Mary E. Phillips, both of Weymouth.

BIRTHS

Recorded in the Town Clerk's Office, Weymouth, for the year 1876.

Date of Birth.

January, 1876.

1. Arthur Gardner Loud.
3. William Everett Hennesey.
5. Margaret Agnes Barrett.
6. Wm. John G. Vinal.
6. Frank Otis Dodson.
10. Francis Joseph Derusha.
11. James Henry Muise. } Twins.
11. Stephen Morris Muise. }
12. Eva R. Bean.
13. Henry Kiley.
14. Rosanna Bailey.
15. George Herbert Raymond.
19. George David Holbrook.
19. Abbie Etta Rice.
20. Harry Webster Walker.
23. Eliza Coyle.
24. Mary Amanda Fisk.
26. Burton Reed Freeman.
28. Alice Lovell Garcelon.
30. Frank Wendell Hocking.

February

3. Robert Lincoln Burbank.
6. Mary Frances Coleran.
6. Leon Weston Delano.
7. Willie Francis Shields.
7. Annie Morgan Long.
9. Esther Bates Smith.
9. Effie Baldwin.
11. Elizabeth Tracy.
12. Nellie Mabel Spear.
13. Anna Gertrude Taylor.
14. Walter Leonard Hunt.
15. Frederick Francis Pratt.

Date of Birth.

19. Fred Thomas Barnes.
19. Jane Elizabeth Healey.
21. William Henry Borden.
25. George Frazar Mansfield.
25. Charles Watson Reed.
26. Estelle Frances Miller.
26. Frank Reed Kingman.
28. John Connors.

March

1. Edward Francis Galligher.
2. Arthur Percy Hosley.
3. William Francis Cowing.
3. Edith Maria Hunt.
4. Rena Forest Blanchard.
5. Willard Hardwick.
7. Albert Warren Shaw.
8. Willie Russel Loud.
10. Helen Friary.
10. Nathaniel Arthur Thomas.
16. Ephraim Webster Chamberlain.
16. Hattie Minerva Raymond.
16. Mary Coughlan.
22. Sarah Frances Sargent.
22. Lizzie Colleran.
22. Alice Wilson Jones.
23. Thomas Joseph McCue.
25. Seth Arthur Dunbar.
27. Bridget Fogerty.
28. Joseph Michael Tracy.
30. Stephen Emery Thayer.
31. Andrew Franklin Burrell.
31. Sumner Parker Bowker.
31. Charles Wright Peare.

Date of Birth.

31. Mary Londergan.

April

2. Emma Maria Daw.
 3. Francis Patrick Nelligan.
 4. Emma Grant.
 6. Mary Rebecca Bates.
 9. Richard Flynn.
 9. Alphonzo D. Linton.
 13. John Hardy Maynard.
 14. Albert Lawrence Stetson.
 15. Daniel Doran.
 16. Eva Pearl Bates.
 17. Harvey Dennett Reed.
 18. Harriet Alice Leduc.
 20. Prince Henry Tirrell, Jr.
 22. Anna Gracie Cunnun.
 23. George Francis Ryan.
 23. Emma Gertrude Miller.
 24. Mathew Lynch.
 24. Ernest Percival Dunbar.
 25. Isaac Nathaniel McIsaac.
 26. Mary Lonergan.
 27. Florence Mabel Thomas.
 28. Jacob Ralph Baker.
 29. Mabel Frances Hatch.
 30. Nathan Sumner Bates.
- May
2. Freddie Russell Marden.
 6. Anna Woodbury Clarke.
 9. Margaret Elizabeth Hagerty.
 9. Owen Lewis Leonard.
 10. Emma Waterman Raymond.
 10. Louis Ford.
 12. Joseph Ambrose Nolan.
 13. Cornelius Henry Clavin.
 14. Charles Francis Gutterson.
 14. Alice Almira Reid.
 14. Margaret Jane McDonald.
 15. Prince Edward Joy.
 15. Harding Forest Joy.

Date of Birth.

17. Edward Thomas Flannery.
 17. Fanny Porter Chubbuck.
 18. Michael Joseph McGrath, Jr.
 18. George White.
 19. Cora Maud Burrell.
 22. Lizzie Murphy.
 22. James Smith.
 23. Margaret McCue.
 29. Percy Washburn Belcher.
 30. Lina Annilla Pool.
- June
4. Louise Francis Tracy.
 5. Nellie Flynn.
 6. Alice Powers.
 8. Willard Herbert Holbrook.
 14. Mary Emma Fogarty.
 16. Thomas Francis Monks.
 16. Nellie Langmaid Rogers.
 18. James Donovan, Jr.
 18. Lizzie Higgins.
 19. Bessie May Sherman.
 20. Abbie Maria White.
 23. Harry Freeman Barrows.
 23. Robert Francis Sullivan.
 25. Eleanor Maud Bass.
 28. John Gaillardetz.
 30. James Smith.
- July
1. Charles Burke.
 2. Herbert Delory.
 2. Nellie Toomey.
 3. George Marselles Rand.
 3. Percy Litchfield Day.
 3. Edna Frances Thayer.
 4. Joseph Warren Murphy.
 6. Rose Thayer.
 7. Susan Bates Cowing.
 15. Elizabeth Fraher.
 17. William Henry Jones.
 17. Byron Lowson.

Date of Birth.

- 24. Catherine Yourell.
- 24. Nelson Allen Our.
- 26. Charles Cornelius Riley.
- 29. John Noonan.
- 30. Bridget McCarty.
- 30. Bessie Gertrude Wright.

August

- 4. Male child of Oscar and
Addie M. Thurston.
- 4. Lillie Eunice Rowell.
- 6. Mabel Nelson French.
- 7. Clara Edith Orcutt.
- 8. Margaret Agnes McGovern.
- 11. Alfred Grover Smith.
- 13. Clinton Loud Kimball.
- 13. Nettie Blanchard.
- 15. Mary J. Culley.
- 17. Thomas Francis Reidy.
- 17. Mabel Culley.
- 19. Arthur Loring Smith.
- 19. John Leslie Reckard.
- 20. Gracie Ella Walsh.
- 22. Ralph White Loud.
- 22. Florence Belcher.
- 22. Parker Ellis Thomas.
- 25. Thomas Edward Yourell.

September

- 1. Mary Elizabeth Fitzgerald.
- 1. Gertrude Knox.
- 1. Frederick Irwin Cushing.
- 2. Walter Dexter Stafford.
- 5. Rebecca Muire Robertson.
- 6. Ella Mabel Gerrold.
- 7. Alice Louise Griffin.
- 8. Lizzie Kelley.
- 8. Alida Mary Denton.
- 13. Sarah Ann Cullen.
- 13. Mary Ella Bonney.
- 13. Matilda Livingston Nation.
- 14. Patrick Hyland, Jr.
- 15. Eliz'th Gertrude Donovan.

Date of Birth.

- 15. Catherine Hennesey.
- 18. Ellen Maria Barrett.
- 18. Maud Preston Walsh.
- 19. William Jefferson Vining.
- 20. Edith Mabel Damon.
- 20. Leonard Francis Wolfe.
- 22. Frederick James Drown.
- 23. Mary Jane Cullen.
- 27. Lillie May Spurr.
- 28. Albert Justin Fearing.

October

- 1. Ada Rachel Hilton.
- 1. Josephine Hollis.
- 2. John Thomas McKeever.
- 4. Blanch Lillian Rice.
- 6. Geo. William Dennington.
- 6. Rosella O'Brian.
- 7. Edwin Hall Loud.
- 8. Johannah McEnroe.
- 10. George McIntosh.
- 11. Frank Elzear Bourk.
- 12. Eugene Thomas Smith.
- 12. Maud Cleland Tinkham.
- 13. Miles Clark. } Twins.
- 13. John Clark. }
- 13. Marion Howard Dow.
- 13. Morris Griffin.
- 15. Stella Richmond White.
- 17. Frank Alden Peterson.
- 21. Fred'k Augustine Ryan. } Twins.
- 21. George Lewis Ryan. }
- 24. Female child of Davis D.
and Susan A. Randall.
- 25. Moses Hiram Selden.
- 26. Mary Carroll Halloran.
- 29. Mary Emma Bently.

November

- 1. Edward Cruise.
- 1. Lydia Florence Holbrook.
- 1. Frank Josephus Bayley.
- 3. John Francis Callihan.

Date of Birth.

5. Charles Bicknell Harrington.
8. Louis Vernon Prentiss.
14. Freddie Wyman Litchfield.
15. Reine Marie Poe.
16. William Fitz Simmons.
19. John Hutchinson Garey.
20. Catherine Roche.
23. Alfred Freeman Blackwell.
26. Charles Randall Beals.
27. Cornelius Lynch.
27. Kate Maria Mulcahy.
30. Burton Loren Bates.
30. Carl Emil Person.
30. Nellie May Duval.

December

1. Ada Francis Burrell.
2. Jean Forsyth.

Date of Birth.

2. Male child of Wm. J. and Margaret Custance.
7. Thomas Francis Dunkart.
8. Anna Louisa Turner.
8. Charles Harrison Rice.
10. John McCarty, Jr.
10. Robert Austin Wright.
13. Female child of Dugald and Margaret Good.
15. Fred Ellsworth Burrell.
15. Edwin Weston Ford.
15. Frederick Bourk.
16. Ellen Frances Whittemore.
19. Walter Francis Morse.
22. Lizzie Belle Deere.
24. Mary Ellen Grant.
24. Fannie Adeline Loud.
31. Susan Maria Clapp.

DEATHS

Recorded in the Town Clerk's Office, for the Year 1876.

[The names enclosed in parenthesis indicate the maiden names.]

Date of Death.	Name of Deceased.	AGE.			Disease or Cause of Death.	Place of Birth.
		Years.	Mos.	Days.		
1876.						
Jan. 16	Catherine Agnes (Whalan) Byrne	34			Childbirth	Ireland.
" 21	Freddie Gilman Thompson	1	4		Lung Fever	Weymouth.
" 27	Hattie Howe Tirrell	26	10	3	Consumption	"
" 28	John David Rea	37	5	13	"	Cape Breton.
" 30	George Alfred Tracy	3	2	14	Diphtheria	Weymouth.
Feb. 4	Avis C. (Carpenter) Pratt	60	2	6	Cancer	Vermont.
" 6	Edith May Gutterson	5	1	9	Diphtheria	Weymouth.
" 8	Mary (Fox) Pratt	58	7	5	Pneumonia	Hadley.
" 10	Effie Baldwin			1	"	Weymouth.
" 11	Abigail (Varney) Towl	81	10	2	Consumption	Maine.
" 11	Annie Lazelle Shaw	16	1	15	Epilepsy	Weymouth.
" 14	Albert Streeter	21	5	14	Peritonitis	Woburn.
" 17	Richard Blanchard	77	5	2	Paralysis	Weymouth.
" 20	Joseph Curtis	64	7		Apoplexy	
" 22	Jessie Kate Crosby	9	1	4	Diphtheria	Maine.
" 23	Ezra Tirrell	81	1	26	Ossification of Heart	Weymouth.
" 25	Christina M. (Barnes) Spear	30	8		Pulmonary Tuberculosis	Hingham.
" 29	Charles Henry Martin	5	8	13	"	Weymouth.
Mar. 4	William French	72	8	4	Stricture of Stomach	"
" 7	William Henry Gray	4	6	14	Scarlet Fever	"
" 9	Luther Dyer	67	2	13	Asthemia	"
" 10	Rachael Nash	86	6	4	Pneumonia	"
" 11	Joseph Henry Croker	2	4	24	Scarlet Fever	"
" 12	Bridget Welch	53			Consumption	Ireland.
" 20	Patrick Monks	58	11	10	Rheumatic Fever	"
" 23	Samuel Pool	72	9	8	Consumption	Abington.
" 27	Mary Eliza McGreedy	3	3	3	Lung Fever	Weymouth.
" 27	Lucy (Humphrey) Cushing	86	3		Paralysis	"
" 27	Carrie Reed Shackford	2	3	20	Scalded	"
" 28	Belinda (Torrey) Curtis	54	7	26	Consumption	"
" 31	Michael Londergan	3	3		Scarlet Fever	"
" 31	Martin Vining	68		11	Paralysis of Nerves	"
April 1	Lucia Ann (Waterman) Bates	39	8	18	Peritonitis	Plympton.
" 3	Michael Joseph Curry	2	2	17	Scarlet Fever	Weymouth.
" 5	Nathaniel B. Reed	18	8	14	Consumption	"
" 5	Alfred Harper	50	1	17	Exposure	"
" 8	Mary Rebceca Bates			21	Congestion of Lungs	"
" 12	Ellen Grancy	3	3	15	Dropsy of Heart	"
" 13	Female child of Lewis and Jane Delorry				Still-born	"
" 13	Clara Jane (Tirrell) Treat	26	8	20	Consumption	"
" 16	Eva Louisa Bourk	2	1	24	"	"
" 20	Male child of Philip and Sarah E. Wolfe				Still-born	"
" 21	Michael Gray		5	10	Scarlet Fever	"
" 24	William Edward Tobin	2	7		Croup	"
" 26	Miles Clarke	51			Pneumonia	Ireland.
" 27	Susan Maria (Pratt) Coty	27			Consumption	Weymouth.
" 28	Lizzie May White	4		5	Diphtheria	"
May 3	Cecelia Hart	1	2	17	"	"
" 5	John Clarke	45			Pneumonia	Ireland.
" 5	Richard Wrightington	83	9		Old Age	Fairhaven.
" 6	Ezra Leach	82	4	23	Heart Disease	Middleboro'.

Date of Death.		Name of Deceased.	AGE.			Disease or Cause of Death.	Place of Birth.
			Years.	Mos.	Days.		
May	9	Hannora (Quinn) Burke	39	11	14	Hepatitis	Ireland.
"	10	Sarah Jackson (Vining) Pool	39	11	6	Enteritis	Weymouth.
"	16	John Fitzgerald	15	9	11	Accidental	"
"	16	Edward Francis Moran	29	1	23	Pneumonia	"
"	17	Stephen T. McGill	6	3	11	Diphtheria	"
"	18	Hannah Kingman	66	2	3	General Debility	"
"	18	Male child of Francis and Nancy M. Bicknell				Still-born	"
"	25	Charles Bertrin McLeod		10	2	Lung Fever	"
"	29	Charles Alonzo French	2	3	8	Scarlet Fever	E. Stoughton.
"	31	Sarah Ann (Davis) Binney	55	7	2	Heart Disease	Weymouth.
"	31	Mary L. (Cushing) Spinney	42	7		Typhoid Pneumonia	"
"	31	Etta Stevens	10	6		Hemorrhage	Marshfield.
June	2	Edward Bates	65	8	18	Consumption	Weymouth.
"	2	Harris H. Spinney	43	7		Pneumonia	Aigile, N. S.
"	5	Cora Eldred (Pratt) Burrell	19	2	21	Inflammatory Rheumatism and Puerperal Peritonitis	Weymouth.
"	6	Fannie Willis Blanchard	20	7	13	Consumption	"
"	18	Susan Vinton Hunt	37	8	10	Consumption	"
"	18	James Donovan, Jr.			1 hour		"
"	19	Grace M. Stoddard		6	17	Lung Fever and Brain Disease	Portsmouth, R. I.
"	28	Male child of Wm. E. and Mary Mitchell				Still-born	Weymouth.
"	29	Benjamin Pratt, 2d	43	10	6	Consumption	Randolph.
"	30	George Henry Coleran	6	5	11	Diphtheria	Weymouth.
July	2	Frederick Edmund Barney	7	2	13	Diphtheria	"
"	2	Emma Elizabeth Cowing	1	7		Lung Fever	"
"	6	Daniel Henry Nolan	1	1	8		"
"	12	Mary Sullivan	16			Scrofula	"
"	17	Lottie Augusta Brookings	3	4	9	Cholera Infantum	Cambridgep't.
"	18	Albria Almira (Gordon) Waters	25	6		Typhoid Fever	Maine.
"	21	Morrell Allen Hunt	8	3		Diphtheria	Weymouth.
"	24	Anthony Emmett Tracy	7	3	17	Blood Poisoning	"
"	27	Ediza Thomas Soper Hunt	6	1	5	Diphtheria	"
"	28	John Riley	48			Peritonitis	Ireland.
"	29	Catharine Yourell			5	Convulsions	Weymouth.
"	30	Albert Humphrey		5	5	Cholera Infantum	Missouri.
Aug.	3	John Wilfred Church	1	9	22	Diphtheria	Cambridge.
"	4	Ellen (Moore) Courtney	33	2		Congestion of Lungs	Ireland.
"	6	Mary Londergan		4	6	Cholera Infantum	Weymouth.
"	7	Ann Louise Boutin		7	16	Consumption	"
"	13	Nelson Allen Our			20	Pneumonia	"
"	14	Leona Veronica Rodwell	1		15	Water on Brain	"
"	18	Nellie L. Rogers		2	7	Cholera Infantum	"
"	20	Eliza (Gresham) Hardy	68	6	16	Typhoid Fever	England.
"	23	Jerusha Elvira (Blodgett) Wallace	53		8	Tumor	N. Hampshire.
"	23	Frederick Francis Pratt		6	8	Cholera Infantum	Weymouth.
"	27	Bridget Forgety		5		Cholera Infantum	"
"	27	Abbie E. Pratt	15	5		Consumption	"
"	28	Winfield Scott Sampson	15	1		Diphtheria	Marshfield.
"	30	Jennie May Merchant	8	3	9	Concussion of Brain	Weymouth.
"	30	Willard Hardwick		5	24	Cholera Infantum	"
"	30	Edwin Frank Leach	10	4	17	Diphtheria	"
"	30	Mary Louisa Hollis	34	10	16	Tumor	Randolph.
Sept.	2	Nettie Blanchard			20	Congestion of Lungs	Weymouth.
"	4	Prince Edward Joy		3	20	Canker	"
"	4	John Leslie Reckard			16	Cholera Infantum	"
"	4	George Monroe Drown	1		24	Cholera Infantum	"
"	4	Herbert Stowell		11	26	Teething	"
"	5	Mary Elizabeth Fitzgerald			4	Spasms	"
"	8	Byron Lawson		1	22	Cholera Infantum	"
"	10	Sarah Ann (Sidaway) Osborn	23		7	Bronchial Consumption	East Boston.
"	11	Mary J. Culley	34	2		Consumption	England.
"	11	Ellen (Murphy) Hogan	48			Consumption	Ireland.
"	16	George Harlow	81	1	15	Dropsy	Plymouth.
"	20	Mary Ann Erving	17	10	11	Consumption	Weymouth.
"	21	Sally B. (Burrill) Pratt	81	2		Heart Disease	"
"	22	James Smith		4		Teething	"

Date of Death.	Name of Deceased.	AGE.			Disease or Cause of Death	Place of Birth.
		Years.	Mos.	Days.		
Sept. 22	Stephen Morris Muise	8	11		Canker	Weymouth.
Oct. 2	Alvan Burrell	70	2	26	Paralysis	Abington.
" 4	Child of Eli L. and Cordelia Has- kins				Still-born	Weymouth.
" 6	Mary (Holmes) Hunt	49	5	18	Pneumonia	Wareham.
" 7	Samuel Badlam	73			Congestion of Lungs	Weymouth.
" 8	Ellen T. Sullivan	2	10	11	Diphtheria	"
" 8	Francis Henry Arnold	1	4	22	Diphtheria	"
" 14	Michael Joseph Yourell	1	3	2	Teething	"
" 16	John Thomas Walsh	24	3	10	Consumption	"
" 23	Silence Hunt Nash	88	1	6	Old Age	"
Nov. 2	Sylvester Andrews Farren	44	8	27	Hemorrhage of Brain	Connecticut.
" 12	Mary Agnes (Montcalm) Shelton, 46	11	18		Consumption	Plymouth.
" 15	Mary J. Cully		3		Scrofula	Weymouth.
" 17	Mary Emma Bentley		19		Cholera Infantum	"
" 17	Maurice Joseph Keohan	2	11	26	Congestion of Brain	"
" 17	George Graves	81	3		Old Age	"
" 17	Abbie Arnold (Lovell)	38	2		Chronic Diarrhœa and Ulcer- ation of Bowels	Quincy.
" 19	Malachi Nicholas Melville	2	9	9	Scarlet Fever	Weymouth.
" 20	Sarah Augusta Stowell	22	9	8	Consumption	"
" 22	Carrie Emma Christerson	4	4		Scarlet Fever	"
" 27	Kate (Shepherd) Healy	55			Consumption	Scotland.
Dec. 2	Lillian May Christerson	11	2		Scarlet Fever	Weymouth.
" 8	Elmer Clifton Cushing	6	4	20	Diphtheria	"
" 9	Mary (McCue) Whalan	37			Croup	Ireland.
" 9	Simeon Smith	59	3	22	Shot in Head	Weymouth.
" 12	Samuel Tirrell	80	3	10	Inflation of Kidneys	"
" 17	John Gaillardetz		5	19	Pneumonia	"
" 18	Abraham Thayer	53	8	8	Heart Disease	"
" 18	Sarah Jane Gilligan	1	8	21	Croup	"
" 27	John Patrick O'Connor	2	6	3	Scarlet Fever	"
" 30	Ada Frances Bates	23	6	10	Consumption	"

The foregoing reports of marriages, births, and deaths are presented for the purpose of affording opportunity to parties to examine the same and notify the Town Clerk of any deficiency or inaccuracy that may appear. Errors or omissions in the records of former years reported to the Town Clerk have been corrected. Marriages of several parties, residents of this town, have not been received at this office, which accounts for omissions which may be noticed in the marriage record.

The number of marriages registered was ninety-three. Of those married, eighty were born in Weymouth, and sixty-one in other towns in this State; other States, twenty-six; British Provinces, eleven; and Ireland, eight.

The number of births registered in the year 1876 was two hundred and fifty-one,—males, one hundred and thirty-four; females one hundred and seventeen. The parents of these children were born as follows: in Weymouth, fifty-five; in other towns in Massachusetts, sixty-six; in New England States, twenty; in New York, two; Brit-

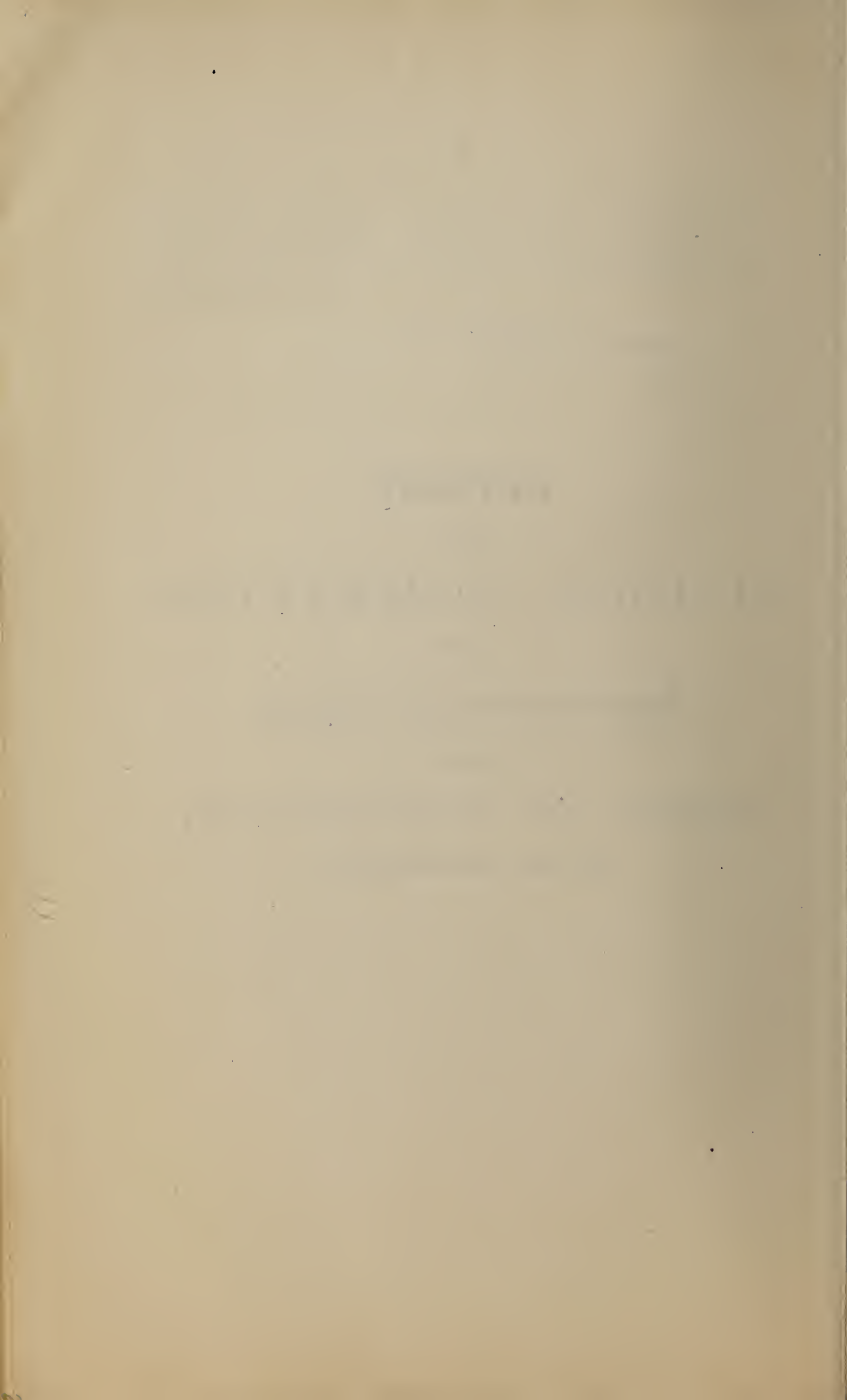
ish Provinces, seventeen ; Ireland, sixty-five ; Sweeden, Germany, England, and on the ocean, twenty-six. Of the one hundred and forty-nine deaths recorded for 1876, sixty-two were among persons of foreign parentage. The excess of births over deaths for the year 1876 is one hundred and two.

Respectfully submitted.

FRANCIS AMBLER,

Town Clerk.

REPORTS
OF THE
SCHOOL COMMITTEE
AND
Superintendent of Schools,
OF THE
TOWN OF WEYMOUTH,
For the Year 1875-76.



REPORT OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

DURING the year just closed the public schools of Weymouth have been conducted, in most respects, on the same general plan as that pursued for several years past. The duty of visiting the schools and of attending to the details of school work has been mainly delegated to the Superintendent, while the general management and oversight of the schools has devolved, as usual, upon the School Committee, who alone are responsible to the town for the welfare of its educational interests. In one respect, however, some deviation from the general plan has taken place. Early in the year, the Board adopted a system of bimonthly written examinations, on questions prepared by the Superintendent, which applied to all the grades of schools except the primary. While these examinations, which were uniform in all schools of the same grade, had the anticipated effect of stimulating the pupils in their studies, they also had a marked effect on the teachers, in promoting among them a healthy emulation. Not only did these examinations have a tendency to rouse the ambition of the scholars in respect to their rank, but also they made the pupils more thorough in their school work, by the frequent and critical reviews to which they subjected them. As each school, moreover, has had a definite amount of work assigned to it, the several schools were thus kept more nearly together in their studies than could otherwise be done. This is a desideratum of no small account when we consider that, in the order of promotion, it not unfrequently occurs that two or more schools contribute classes to one and the same school of a higher grade. This rule applies all the way from the Primary to the High Schools. The importance, therefore, of keeping all our schools directly upon the required course of study is obvious; but in practice this is difficult to accomplish. There is a constant tendency of the schools to separate, and each one pursue a course of its own. Nothing keeps them together so well as these frequent and uniform examinations.

Yet this system, like every innovation, met with considerable opposition. Some of the teachers opposed it on account of the extra work it imposed upon them in marking the scholars' papers. Nor was it without opposition on the part of some members of the com-

mittee. Views were expressed that it was wholly wrong in principle ; that scholars should not be incited to study from any other motive than the acquisition of knowledge for its own intrinsic worth ; that only the ambitious pupils were stimulated by it ; and that there was opportunity for deception. For these reasons, and the additional one of the expense of printing, these regular written examinations, under the control of the Superintendent, were abandoned at the end of the summer term. Occasional examinations, however, at the discretion of the Superintendent, are still continued. Teachers, too, are still required to conduct monthly written examinations of their pupils and to preserve a record of the results in order to aid in determining the scholars' rank.

A carefully prepared report by the Board of Assessors, giving the names and ages of all persons belonging to the town on the first day of May last, between the ages of five and fifteen years, has been submitted to the committee. From this report we ascertain that

The whole number of children of school age in

Ward One	is	272	—	149 females and 123 males.
“ Two	“	569	—	291 “ 278 “
“ Three	“	488	—	234 “ 254 “
“ Four	“	334	—	146 “ 188 “
“ Five	“	318	—	148 “ 170 “
Total	“	1,981	—	1,013 “ 968 “

Showing a gain in the whole town over last year of 45.

During the year four additional schools have been established. In January, when the schools in Ward 3 were reorganized, the assistant teacher of the Broad Street Grammar was placed in full charge of a school made up of scholars belonging to the lowest class of that school. This school was located in the lower room of the Tremont Street School-house, as stated in the last annual report. In May it was found necessary to establish an additional Primary School in Ward Two. At that time there were two hundred and eight pupils belonging to the Grant Street, High Street, and Pleasant Street Primary Schools, and the two latter, particularly, were crowded. A room in what is known as “ Randall's Building ” on Commercial Street was hired and fitted up for the use of the school. It was chiefly furnished with old seats and desks not lately in use, which had been kept to meet just such an emergency. A school of forty pupils has been profitably and successfully taught here up to the present time. In August the Adams School was divided, and a mixed (Pri-

mary and Intermediate) school established in the lower room of the school-house and given in charge of the former assistant teacher, Miss Briggs. The new school-house on River Street was ready for occupation in September, when a sufficient number of children residing in that locality was found to make a medium-sized school. This, like the new school at the Adams House, is of mixed grade.

At the beginning of the school year in August, the services of an assistant teacher in the Commercial Street and Torrey Street Grammar Schools were considered to be for the best interests of those schools, and such assistance was accordingly supplied. The number of teachers, therefore, employed in our schools during the fall term, and at the present time, is an increase of four over that of the preceding year, the total number now on service being forty-seven; of this number five are assistant teachers.

Owing to this increase in the number of teachers, and in order to carry out other plans of the committee for the benefit of the schools, it became necessary to reduce some of the salaries. Consequently, in August, a reduction of all the teachers' salaries that excelled \$34 per month was effected, amounting in the aggregate to five per cent of the salaries reduced, — a sum not equal to the increase of expense attending the changes alluded to, but sufficient to enable the committee to go through the year and keep within the prescribed limits. In order, however, to carry the schools through the ensuing year on the existing basis, an increase of appropriation over that of the three years past will be required. It is possible, moreover, that additional schools may be required in the Second Ward, and that the services of a full-time assistant teacher may be needed in the Pratt Grammar School.

At the annual examination of applicants for admission to the High School, held July 3, sixty-nine Grammar School pupils from all parts of the town presented themselves. Of this number forty-three obtained a mark of 75 (per cent) and upwards, and were admitted without conditions; and nine received a mark between 70 and 75, and were admitted on probation. Notwithstanding the unsatisfactory experience of the preceding year in admitting pupils on a second examination, yet so urgent were the claims of some of the unsuccessful candidates and their friends, that the committee yielded, and allowed a second trial to all who ranked between 60 and 70 at the first examination. At this second examination, which was held in August, six pupils were admitted to the High School, giving as the result of both examinations fifty-eight admissions. Of this number of successful candidates nineteen were boys and thirty-nine were girls.

A new method of obtaining the final mark, showing the result of each scholar's examination in the several studies, was devised by the committee, in addition to that hitherto employed. Instead of allowing equal weight to all the studies, and getting the average mark, it was considered to be more just to let Arithmetic and Grammar count more in the scale of marking than the less difficult studies, — Geography, History, and Spelling. The adjustment which was decided upon as being the most equitable was to give to the five studies, in the order above named, the significance respectively of 6, 5, 3, 3, 3. The operation of this arrangement in practice did not show so great difference between the results thus obtained and the average mark as might have been expected. Whatever deviation did occur was in favor of those who ranked high in the first two studies, and against those who ranked low in the first two studies.

Of the fifty-two admissions on July 3, in nine instances the mark was not changed; in thirty it was increased; and in thirteen it was diminished. In no case, however, was the mark changed more than four in either direction. The following examples will illustrate these different results.

Scholar's number.	Arithmetic.	Grammar.	Geography.	History.	Spelling.	Average mark.	Combination mark.
54	90	73	90	84	74	82	82
84	90	89	87	75	34	75	79
23	65	68	79	77	86	75	73

In the first case the rank in all the studies was quite uniform. In the second case the first two studies ranked proportionally high and the last three studies ranked proportionally low. In the last example the Arithmetic and Grammar were proportionally low, while Geography, History, and Spelling were proportionally high. Other examples illustrating these results can be found in the table on page 70 of this report. One scholar, No. 6, would not have passed examination on the *average* mark; and one, No. 31, would not have passed on the *combination* mark. All others passed examination on either mark. It is a circumstance which speaks well of the uniformity of the system on which our schools have been conducted, that the average rank, on either mark, of the scholars who were promoted from the several upper Grammar Schools to the High, was so nearly alike.

The study of Drawing was introduced into the schools at the beginning of the present school year. The system of Prof. Walter Smith, State Director of Art Education for Massachusetts, was adopted. In order to give the teachers some knowledge of the principles of this art, a teacher of Drawing has been employed. Mr. Walter F. Brackett, a

graduate of the State Normal Art School, and a successful teacher of this branch of study, was appointed for this purpose. By the terms of the contract he agreed to give a two-hours' lesson each week to two classes of teachers, one at the north and one at the south part of the town, and to spend one day each week in the schools in supervising the work of the pupils. For this service he was to receive compensation at the rate of \$450 per year, and to teach up to the first week in March, a period of twenty-five weeks.

The teachers, with few exceptions, to their credit be it said, entered upon their new work with alacrity and enthusiasm. In order to further aid them in imparting a knowledge of this study to their pupils, it became necessary to supply their desks with manuals for Drawing, which are designed for the use of teachers, according to the system which was adopted. Mr. Brackett met the teachers belonging to the north part of the town at the Commercial Street Grammar School-house, and the teachers belonging to the south part of the town at the Torrey Street School-house. On account of the shortness of the days in December and January, it became necessary to provide lamps for lighting the rooms. Permanent fixtures were supplied, which, we trust, will be of service on future occasions for this or other school purposes.

The new study of Drawing has now obtained a foothold in our schools, and, in our opinion, it has been conducted on correct principles of instruction. In all the schools fair progress has been made, while in some remarkably good results have been obtained. Mr. Brackett has shown himself to be a competent teacher. The committee hereby suggest that suitable provision be made for continuing the services of a teacher of Drawing another year. In so short a period as twenty-five weeks it is not to be reasonably expected that all needed instruction can be given to our teachers in this study, most of whom have hitherto had little or no knowledge of it.

The committee make no apology for introducing Drawing. It is required by the Statutes of the Commonwealth equally with Arithmetic and Writing. We are negligent to our trust if we do not encourage its study in our schools. It is not claimed that all scholars will make skilful artists or adept draughtsmen. All who study Arithmetic do not make astute mathematicians, nor do all who write learn to execute fine penmanship. What we do claim is, that the study of Drawing in our schools will be of benefit to the pupils, when, after their school days are over, they engage in the practical avocations of life. This is a common-sense view of the question, and we trust it will be so regarded.

As there is a general desire and expectation that our schools shall accomplish greater results than they have ever yet attained, we submit to the friends of education throughout the town, whether the study of Music might not be methodically taught by a teacher, employed for the purpose, whose duty it should be to visit all the schools at stated intervals, and give instruction in that science. Probably a teacher, if he devoted all his time to the work, might be able to give a short lesson to each school once a fortnight, the regular teachers also devoting a few minutes each day to musical exercises. We are authorized to state that efficient service of this kind could be furnished at an expense equal to that paid for Drawing. Proposals have already been made to the committee for giving instruction to the schools in both these studies at a united expense for salaries of \$1,000.

The subject of truancy has received special attention from the Board. It is believed that there are many children who absent themselves from school without the knowledge of those who have lawful charge over them. No by-laws on truancy, which have hitherto been framed, have passed through the several stages of proceedings necessary to put them in force. Inherent difficulties pertain to the whole subject. A new set of by-laws has, however, been prepared by the legal members of the Board, and it is hoped that they will be adopted by the town and approved by the court. A copy of them is herewith submitted.

BY-LAWS OF THE TOWN OF WEYMOUTH RELATING TO TRUANCY.

SECTION 1. Habitual truants and children wandering about in the streets or public places of the town of Weymouth, having no lawful occupation or business, not attending school, and growing up in ignorance, between the ages of seven and fifteen years, shall, upon conviction, be committed to the State Primary School at Monson, for such terms, not exceeding two years each, as the justice or Court having jurisdiction may determine; said State Primary School being hereby designated by said town of Weymouth as the place of confinement, discipline, and instruction for persons convicted under the provisions of these by-laws.

SECT. 2. Whenever any pupil of either of the public schools in the town of Weymouth shall be absent during more than three sessions of such school in any period of four weeks of term time, without reasonable cause, and whenever any child in said town, between the ages aforesaid, shall commit the other offence named in the first section of these by-laws, it shall be the duty of the truant officers of said town, appointed by the School Committee, to notify the parent or guardian of such child of the fact of such truancy or vagrancy, and upon the commission of any similar act of truancy or vagrancy

within three months after such notice to make complaint against such offender before a Court or magistrate having jurisdiction of the offence, and to carry into execution the judgment thereon.

The expense incurred for repairs during the year has been unusually large, and has exceeded the appropriation for that purpose. Due regard, however, has been allowed to a spirit of economy. The bills for painting form a chief part of this expense. The Mt. Pleasant School-house outside and in; the Main Street two-story School-house, and the fence around the entire lot; the Washington Street School-house and fence; the Pratt School-house and fence; the Middle Street School-house inside, and the fence around the yard, have received two good coats of paint, and the last mentioned three. New fences and out-buildings have also been built in various localities, and unusual expense has attended the repairs of the heating apparatus of the school-rooms. In several instances the old apparatus for heating was beyond repair, as, for instance, in the Central Street building, where two worn-out furnaces were supplanted by four new stoves and new pipe. In other instances the stoves in use were inadequate to heat the rooms to a comfortable temperature, especially on cold days. Considerable expense also, which is classed under the head of "Repairs," attended the establishment of the Tremont Street Grammar, the Adams Intermediate, and the Commercial Street Primary Schools, for which there was no special appropriation. The transfer of schools in Ward Three from one house to another was also attended with some outlay. The committee believe that in no instance has money been spent in this department lavishly. They doubt whether it be true economy to allow buildings in need of repairs to be neglected and come to decay. Suitable heating apparatus is an absolute necessity. Minor repairs in all the houses, with the best of care, are inevitable. With a school property valued at \$125,000, and consisting of twenty-two school-houses with furniture, outbuildings, fences, and grounds, our appropriation for repairs of \$1,500 is entirely inadequate.

Mr. Gamwell, the Superintendent of schools, continued his services at the salary at which he was originally engaged until the end of the school year, when he was re-engaged for a period of twenty-five weeks at the salary allowed by vote of the town a year ago. He has attended most faithfully to the work assigned him, and the schools under his superintendence are believed to be in a prosperous condition. For detailed information concerning the state of the schools we refer the reader to the very able report of the Superintendent.

The regulations for the government of the schools which were

adopted several years ago have been lately revised and some new ones added. If faithfully observed, it is thought they will contribute materially to the efficiency of our school discipline and management. It is the intention of the committee that they shall be enforced.

The Massachusetts Total Abstinence Society, during the year, offered to the schools, with the approval of the committee, prizes for the best compositions on the subject of "The Evil of Intemperance and the Remedy," — to each High School, one prize of six dollars, and to all the Grammar Schools, one prize of four dollars. These prizes were to be awarded on certain conditions, which were complied with. The committee, with the aid of the Superintendent, selected the required number from a large number furnished by the schools, and forwarded them to the General Agent of the Society. The committee are, as yet, unable to announce the names of the successful competitors, as no returns have yet been received. They improve this opportunity, however, to commend the scholars who contested for these prizes for the general excellence of most of the compositions and the positive merit of a few of them.

It is for the town to decide whether it is ready to act, at the approaching annual meeting, upon the question of a new school-house in Ward Two. It is one which must be acted upon sooner or later, as the exigencies of the situation in regard to school accommodations in that ward are yearly becoming more critical. In addition to the facts, on the one hand, that the Middle Street and the High Street School-houses are unsuitable for the purposes for which they are used, are the other facts of a room having been hired during the past year for a Primary School, and the early prospect of more room being required to accommodate pupils promoted from the lower grammar grades. Owing to the reduced prices of labor and stock, a favorable opportunity is offered for accomplishing this much-needed improvement.

An unusual number of vacancies on the School Board has occurred during the year. Rev. F. P. Chapin, who was elected in March, met with the committee but once, and declined further service. Hon. James Humphrey was chosen to fill his place. In July, Mr. Lucius Brown, who had served on the Board for more than two years, tendered his resignation. The vacancy thus made was filled by the choice of a lady, who, in turn, declined to accept the position. Mr. J. H. Stetson was subsequently elected in Mr. Brown's place. In August, F. W. Lewis, Esq., who had filled the office for a year and a half, resigned. Again a lady was selected to occupy the vacant position, but she, too, declined the appointment. The final choice fell

upon Sam'l W. Reed, Esq., who has been a member of the Board for the past six months.

During the year now drawing to a close, the committee have been compelled by force of circumstances to do a great amount of work in the interests of the schools. The secretary's records show that twenty-five meetings of the Board have been held. Although these meetings have been usually quite protracted, yet they very inadequately measure the time and labor which have been devoted to this service, inasmuch as they do not include that given to school-examinations, to examinations of teachers, to examinations of candidates for High Schools, nor the odds and ends of time consumed in attending to the numerous wants of our schools and school-houses. While this service has been cheerfully rendered and without compensation, and would again be performed did necessity demand it, yet we feel that the duties of the office are so important that they should not exact of any citizen for their performance a sacrifice of personal interests. Should the town be able to select persons to fill this office who have leisure and means at their disposal, the present Board will retire, well satisfied to be relieved of further responsibility.

The committee have felt deeply impressed with the importance of the trust which has been imposed upon them. The momentous subject of school education is one which demands for its consideration the most progressive thought and the most practical knowledge of the capabilities of the youthful mind. We live in an age of advancing ideas. "New times," says the poet, "demand new measures and new men. The world advances, and in time outgrows the laws which in our fathers' day were best." We have no right to assume, and we have not the presumption to claim, that we have reached the climax of perfection in our system of instruction. On the contrary, we freely admit that it is far from perfect. New methods of teaching may be an improvement on those now in use, undue prominence may now be given to some studies to the detriment of other and important ones; but while we would make suggestions concerning our schools, we would remember that every change is not improvement, yet without change we must acknowledge that no radical improvement could be made, and we should soon find ourselves behind in the steady march of progress.

ESTIMATES.

Salaries of forty-seven teachers for ten months	.	.	\$20,900 00
Salary of one teacher	"	four	136 00
"	"	on half time for	68 00
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Total for salaries	.	.	\$21,104 00
Fuel, care of rooms, and incidentals	.	.	4,000 00
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			\$25,104 00

The available amount from all sources for the past year has been \$24,253.23.

The committee therefore recommend that the appropriation for the support of schools the ensuing year be \$23,500 (twenty-three thousand five hundred dollars).

HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES, 1876.

NORTH.

HATTIE B. BAKER,	FREDERIC T. HUNT,
WILLIAM F. BINNEY,	LAFOREST LINCOLN,
MARY A. BOYLE,	MARY H. PRATT,
ELLA M. BURGESS,	MARY E. RILEY,
FANNIE C. FOYE,	ABBOTT L. SPINNEY,
FRANCES M. GOODMAN,	WILLIAM L. TERRY,
MABEL F. HARLOW,	MARY A. WEBSTER,
MARTHA J. HAWES,	

SOUTH.

MARTHA E. BELCHER,	MARY LINFIELD,
ETTA W. CUSHING,	C. LOUVIE LOGUE,
MARY L. DYER,	CHARLES H. LOUD,
CORNELIUS J. GAVIN,	MABEL B. PIERCE,
EVERETT B. HOWE,	FANNIE I. THOMAS.

QUESTIONS USED AT THE ANNUAL EXAMINATION
OF CANDIDATES FOR ADMISSION TO THE HIGH
SCHOOLS, JULY 3, 1876.

ARITHMETIC.

Each question counts 10.

1. Reduce ($\frac{3}{4} - 2\frac{1}{2}$ fifths) multiplied by ($\frac{2}{15}$ divided by $\frac{2}{3}$) to a decimal.
2. Reduce (.25 divided by 25) divided by (.25 x 25) to a common fraction in its lowest terms.

3. Find the cost of a pile of wood 7 ft. 4 in. long, 3 ft. 9 in. high, and 4 ft. wide at \$6 40 a cord.

4. Find the simple interest of \$640 for 3 years, 7 months, and 3 days at 7 per cent.

5. What principal in 6 months, at 6 per cent, will yield \$6 interest, and how long will it take \$200 at 7 per cent to yield \$7?

6. Find the true present worth of \$515 due in 6 months, without interest.

7. Find how many barrels of flour at \$10 a barrel an agent can purchase with a remittance of \$2,050 after deducting his commission at $2\frac{1}{2}$ per cent.

8. Find the face of a draft on Chicago, which can be bought for \$5,820 at 3 per cent discount.

9. Find the equated time for paying the following bills: Jan. 20, mdse. on 30 days, \$100. Feb. 20, mdse. on 20 days, \$100. March 20, mdse. on 20 days, \$100.

10. Find the difference between the square root of 30.25 and the cube root of 166.375.

GRAMMAR.

Each question counts 10.

1. Write a common and a proper noun; a pronominal adjective; an ordinal and a cardinal numeral.

2. Write the nominative singular of the five compound personal pronouns.

3. Write an intransitive and an irregular verb; an emphatic, a potential, and a tense auxiliary verb.

4. Write an adverb of cause and an adverb of manner; a copulative, an adversative, and an alternative conjunction.

5. Write the possessive plural of man, boy, box, chief, loaf; the superlative of near, more, less, fore, far.

6. Write the second person singular of do, did, may, might, have; the past participles of flee, fly, lay, pay, slay.

7. Write in the present indicative, the common form, the emphatic form, the progressive form, and the passive form of strike; and the synopsis of strike in the indicative active.

8. Write the six participles and the four infinitives of strike.

9. Write an element of the first, one of the second, and one of the third class; name the two elements of the passive form of the verb; and change the following to the passive voice: "James had struck John."

10. "Christopher Columbus, a distinguished Genoese navigator,

discovered the continent of America in the year 1492" Indicate the proximate analysis of the above sentence; *i. e.*, place a perpendicular bar between its sentence elements, and write over each element its abbreviated name as follows: —

Subj.	Adj.	Pred.
“ Boston,	| situated on Mass. Bay,	| is the capital of Mass.

GEOGRAPHY.

Each question counts 10.

1. Name the eight States that touch the great lakes, and two States separated by the Ohio River.

2. Name three rivers that empty into Chesapeake Bay and two into San Francisco Bay; the boundary river between New Jersey and Pennsylvania, between South Carolina and Georgia, between Texas and Mexico, between Arizona and California, and between Oregon and Washington Territory.

3. Name the four largest cities of the United States on the Atlantic coast, the largest rice producing, the largest cotton producing, the largest sugar producing, and the largest tobacco producing State; the latitude of the southern point of Florida, and of the northern boundary of Washington Territory.

4. Name the three physical divisions of South America, its three river systems, its three great plains, and its most eastern cape.

5. Name the most northern, southern, eastern, and western capes of Africa, its two great rivers, and the four Barbary States.

6. Name the three southern and the two northern peninsulas of Europe; two rivers that empty into the Caspian and three into the Black Sea.

7. Name the three countries of the island of Great Britain, the six different waters by which the island is surrounded, and its great cotton manufacturing city.

8. Name the three great southern peninsulas of Asia and the two waters by which they are separated; the two eastern peninsulas and the three seas that touch them.

9. Name the three most important colonies of Australia, its three most important cities, its two principal rivers, and its two principal mountains.

10. Name the three races of men, the three forms of government, and the four systems of religion.

HISTORY.

Each question counts 10.

1. Name the four general divisions of United States history, and give the length of the second division in years.
2. Who settled New Hampshire, Connecticut, Rhode Island, New Jersey, Pennsylvania?
3. Give the date of the discovery of America by Columbus, the settlement of Jamestown, the landing of the Pilgrims, the beginning of the Revolution, the beginning of the Rebellion.
4. Name the oldest town in New Hampshire, Massachusetts, New Jersey, Maryland, and Georgia.
5. Name five wars that occurred in the colonial period.
6. Name ten battles of the Revolution.
7. Name five British and five American generals of the Revolution.
8. Name the first President and Vice-President of the United States, and the three members of the first President's Cabinet.
9. Name the Presidents in whose administration the following events occurred: the War of 1812; the abolition of the United States Bank; the Mexican war; the Kansas-Nebraska Bill; and John Brown's raid.
10. Name the President in whose administration the Rebellion occurred; the year in which it began; its first battle, and the year in which it closed.

SPELLING.

Each word counts 2.

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| 1. Vehicle. | 18. Victuals. | 35. Lineament. |
| 2. Orchestra. | 19. Saleratus. | 36. College. |
| 3. Inexhaustible. | 20. Receivable. | 37. Serviceable. |
| 4. Medicinal. | 21. Chargeable. | 38. Routine. |
| 5. Vehemence. | 22. Aisle. | 39. Recipient. |
| 6. Immense. | 23. Centennial. | 40. Peasant. |
| 7. Transient. | 24. Paralysis. | 41. Heinous. |
| 8. Crystal. | 25. Grievous. | 42. Pamphlet. |
| 9. Sapphire. | 26. Eying. | 43. Reindeer. |
| 10. Requisite. | 27. Seizing. | 44. Gorgeous. |
| 11. Acquisitions. | 28. Wearisome. | 45. Picnic. |
| 12. Buoyancy. | 29. Martyrdom. | 46. Champagne. |
| 13. Courtesy. | 30. Blithesome. | 47. Hosiery. |
| 14. Reservoir. | 31. Insatiable. | 48. Condense. |
| 15. Banana. | 32. Lieutenant. | 49. Molasses. |
| 16. Righteous. | 33. Facilitate. | 50. Business. |
| 17. Maintenance. | 34. Annihilate. | |

Table showing the per cent of correct answers to the foregoing questions given by pupils admitted to the High Schools in July, 1876, and general results deduced therefrom.*

Scholar's Number.	Arithmetic.	Grammar.	Geography.	History.	Spelling.	Average Mark.	Combination Mark.	Relative Rank.	From which School promoted.
4	96	81	73	45	76	74	78	40	Broad Street.
6	90	68	39	85	50	66	70	51	Commercial Street.
15	100	85	90	90	80	89	90	5	Torrey "
17	100	90	94	85	90	92	93	2	Broad "
18	87	77	84	88	86	84	84	12	Main "
20	80	71	88	78	74	78	78	35	Torrey "
21	71	88	68	78	90	79	79	31	Pratt.
23	65	68	79	77	86	75	73	44	Torrey . "
25	63	66	88	68	72	71	70	49	Broad "
26	90	83	68	96	64	80	82	24	Pratt.
28	55	76	84	60	86	72	70	47	Broad "
29	99	70	95	80	46	78	80	30	Adams.
30	83	81	93	84	64	81	81	23	Torrey "
31	40	75	87	78	84	73	68	50	Athens.
32	63	67	84	67	78	72	70	48	Torrey "
33	69	92	85	84	82	82	81	19	Pratt.
36	63	80	69	82	72	73	72	46	Torrey "
37	79	74	73	89	58	75	75	42	Pratt.
40	70	82	92	96	52	78	78	36	Broad "
41	90	87	88	83	80	86	86	9	" "
42	96	81	69	64	72	76	80	34	" "
43	75	79	90	65	54	73	74	45	" "
45	88	70	85	91	52	77	78	37	Torrey "
46	96	69	84	88	74	82	83	17	Main "
47	88	72	90	94	52	79	80	29	" "
48	78	78	80	90	82	82	81	22	Commercial "
49	100	95	79	86	54	83	87	10	" "
50	95	76	66	90	70	79	81	27	Pratt.
52	98	65	97	88	56	81	82	21	Torrey Street.
53	100	80	75	94	88	87	89	8	Commercial Street.
54	90	73	90	84	74	82	82	18	Torrey Street.
56	100	76	82	76	74	82	84	16	Main "
57	70	61	82	85	82	76	74	43	Athens.
61	84	65	91	84	62	77	77	38	Broad "
63	75	78	79	88	88	82	80	25	Torrey "
65	95	65	97	89	30	75	77	40	" "
66	95	70	91	90	58	81	82	20	" "
67	90	87	88	87	62	83	84	14	Broad "
69	89	85	66	81	72	79	81	28	Commercial Street.
70	100	89	94	92	88	93	93	1	Torrey Street.
72	73	88	87	66	78	78	79	33	Athens.
76	96	72	80	91	78	83	84	13	Pratt.
78	100	91	81	76	86	87	89	7	Torrey Street.
84	90	89	87	75	34	75	79	39	Broad "
88	70	88	82	88	50	75	76	41	Pratt.
89	80	75	89	93	82	84	82	15	Main "
91	90	81	77	84	94	85	86	11	Athens.
92	73	84	90	86	72	81	80	26	Pratt.
93	77	83	82	85	66	78	79	32	Adams.
96	100	85	94	88	80	89	91	4	Commercial Street.
98	80	89	96	98	98	92	90	3	Torrey Street.
100	100	82	93	86	78	88	89	6	" "

* The original examination papers from which these marks are taken are still in possession of the committee.

The average mark of the 69 candidates was	.	.	.	.	69.5
" combination "	"	"	"	.	69.8
" average mark of the 52 successful candidates was	.	.	.	.	80.0
" combination "	"	"	"	"	80.5
" average "	23	"	"	North was,	78.7
" combination "	23	"	"	" "	79.7
" average "	29	"	"	South "	81.0
" combination "	29	"	"	" "	81.3
" average "	4	"	"	Athens"	78.0
" combination "	4	"	"	" "	76.7
" average "	2	"	"	Adams "	78.0
" combination "	2	"	"	" "	79.5
" average "	6	"	"	Comm'l St.	81.0
" combination mark of the 6 successful candidates Commer-					
cial St. was	.	.	.	.	83.2
" average mark of the 11 successful candidates Broad St. was					78.9
" combination "	11	"	"	" "	79.7
" average "	8	"	"	Pratt "	79.2
" combination "	8	"	"	" "	79.9
" average "	5	"	"	Main St. was	82.2
" combination mark of the 5 successful candidates Main					
St. was	.	.	.	.	82.6
" average mark of the 16 successful candidates Torrey St. was					82.6
" combination "	16	"	"	" "	81.6

No scholar obtained an average per cent below 43 and none above 93.

Two scholars obtained an average per cent between 40 and 50.

Three	"	"	50 and 60.
Thirteen	"	"	60 and 70.
Seven	"	"	70 and 75.
Eighteen	"	"	75 and 80.
Sixteen	"	"	80 and 85.
Seven	"	"	85 and 90.
Three	"	"	90 and 95.

Of the six pupils admitted to the High Schools at the second examination, three belonged to the north, and three to the south part of the town, and all obtained a rank of about 70 per cent.

In behalf of the committee,

C. C. TOWER,

Chairman.

WEYMOUTH, February, 1877.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT.

TO THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE OF THE TOWN OF WEYMOUTH :

I submit the following as my report of the educational condition of the schools for the year beginning Jan. 1, 1876, and extending to Jan. 1, 1877.

GENERAL STATEMENTS.

There have been in operation during the entire year thirty-eight schools, and during a part of the year forty-two, as follows :—

Eleven Primary, eighteen Intermediate, eleven Grammar, and two High. In them forty-seven teachers have been employed, forty-two as principals and five as assistants.

RESIGNATIONS.

Eleven resignations of teachers have been made during the year, as follows :—

Miss Hattie J. Farren, of the Athens Intermediate ; Miss Florence E. Tirrell, of the Athens Primary ; Miss Lavinia Totman, of the Grant Street Primary ; Miss Anna L. Noyes, of the Middle Street Intermediate ; Miss Helen H. Blanchard, of the Tremont Street Middle Intermediate ; Mrs. Flora A. (Colson) Tilden, of the Mt. Pleasant (now the Tremont Street) Middle Intermediate ; Mrs. Mary E. Hutchinson, of the Pond Street Intermediate ; Miss S. L. Fisher, of the Randolph Street Intermediate ; Miss M. Lizzie Foye, of the Mt. Pleasant (now the Broad Street) Upper Primary ; Miss Sarah Lewison, assistant in the North High ; Mr. W. H. Bartlett, principal of the Commercial Street Grammar, to accept a similar position in the city of Worcester.

APPOINTMENTS.

Fifteen appointments of teachers have been made during the year, as follows :—

Miss Mary L. Ells, to the Athens Intermediate ; Miss Mabel F. Harlow, to the Athens Primary ; Miss Clarabelle Pratt, to the River Street Intermediate ; Mrs. Flora A. Tilden, to the Tremont

Street Middle Intermediate; Miss Hannah E. Ward, to the Broad Street Upper Primary; Miss Emma F. Parker, to the Broad Street Lower Intermediate; Miss Hattie J. Farren, to the Middle Street Intermediate; Miss Ella M. Burgess, to the Grant Street Primary; Miss Josephine A. Raymond, to the Commercial Street Primary; Miss Maria Torrey, to the Pond Street Intermediate; Miss Emily V. White, to the Randolph Street Intermediate; Miss Mary F. Logue, as Assistant in the Torrey Street Upper Grammar; Miss Martha J. Hawes, as assistant in the Commercial Street Upper Grammar; Miss Sarah B. Goodwin, as assistant in the North High; Mr. Lucius Brown, as principal of the Commercial Street Grammar.

TRANSFERS.

Two transfers of teachers to other positions have been made during the year as follows:—

Miss Louie Briggs, from the Adams Grammar (assistant) to the Adams Intermediate; Miss Carrie A. Blanchard, from the Mt. Pleasant Lower Intermediate to the Mt. Pleasant Lower Grammar.

NEW SCHOOLS.

Four new schools have been established during the year.

The River Street Intermediate opened at the middle of the first month of the present school year in the new building erected for it, with twenty-eight scholars, in one Intermediate and three Primary grades. The present number is thirty-two.

The Adams Intermediate was formed by dividing the Adams Grammar. The Adams Grammar School last year contained sixty-seven scholars and needed more room and better grading. At the beginning of the present school year, it was divided into two schools, a Grammar and an Intermediate, each containing twenty-eight scholars, the Intermediate occupying the lower room of the building and the Grammar the upper.

The Mt. Pleasant Lower Grammar was formed when the present one-grade system was introduced into the Third Ward, and the pupils of the two Broad Street Grammar Schools were classified into three separate Grammar School grades.

The Commercial Street Primary in the Second Ward was opened to receive the children who could not be accommodated at the High and Pleasant Street Primary Schools. The average number in each of these three schools for the first term of the present year was fifty-five.

PRIMARY SCHOOLS.

One Primary School having been added during the year, there are now eleven in this department, strictly Primary, containing five hundred and fifty-five pupils with an average of fifty to each school. Eight other schools contain primary classes. Of the eleven pure Primaries, seven contain the three regular grades. Of the remaining four, three have one grade, and one has two grades.

In these schools, most of the work of the year has been successfully performed. Some teachers have appreciated the nature and relation of their work more fully than others, and have devoted themselves with more of enthusiasm and success to its performance.

In reading two teachers only have attempted to teach by the phonetic method. Of these, one disliked and abandoned it, the other continued its practice with decided success. Instead of being recommended, the adoption of this method should be required of all.

The printing of letters has been attended to during the year in all these schools, but in very different ways and with very different results. In some, scholars have printed but have received no instruction in printing; in others, they have printed from set copies; in others, they have imitated the teacher as she has made the letters on the board before their eyes, — showing them what part of each letter to make first and where to begin the making of that part; making the parts separately and then combining them together; exciting their interest and pleasure by remarks on the beauty and use of the letters and on the credit it will be to them to learn to make them well. Thus by varied instruction and pleasing and exciting exhortation, the success of some teachers in this one particular is in no respect wonderful, nor through the want of these the failure of others strange. By the methods pursued in three schools, scholars will become able, in three months from the time of beginning to learn the alphabet, to print, in large, clear hand, ten words of five letters each, in five minutes.

Good printing, as far as it goes, is good drawing; every letter is a simple design. Printing trains the eye and the hand, and cultivates the taste; printing helps spelling and writing. It has important relations and ought to be thoroughly attended to in every Primary School. The smallest scholars cannot write, but can easily print.

In all these schools, oral instruction in Geography has been recommended for the second grade, and in one, on account of special facilities, it was required. In this one alone has anything worthy of

mention been accomplished. In this one, oral instruction, in connection with large maps hanging before the eye, has been regularly given, and with the most pleasing results. In this school, for a part of the year, the same instruction has also been given to the third class, and with results equally pleasing. The second class in this school, taught in this way, orally, without the text-book, have gone over more ground, and gone over it more satisfactorily, than the first class go over in the same time with the text-book. Oral instruction in this branch for the second and third classes should be required. With the present method of teaching in the Primary Schools, the aid of the eyes and memories of the little scholars is by no means economized.

Most of the primary teachers have found the ground in reading required to be gone over in a year by the course of study too limited. The amount was therefore extended in each of the three classes so as to include the whole of the First Reader for the third class, the whole of the Second for the second class, and the whole of the Third for the third class.

The course of study and the methods of instruction in this department need a radical revision and readjustment to the peculiar age and nature of the scholars. No department of the entire school system so fails to utilize and turn to practical account the educational forces at command. Every course of primary study and all methods of primary instruction will be legitimate in proportion as they are adapted to the eyes and memories of the scholars and to their delicate susceptibility to impression and prejudice. There are parts of arithmetic, grammar, geography, history, reading, spelling, writing, drawing, and music adapted to every one of the nine grades of scholars from the Primary to the High. Let these parts be taught in the Primary Schools, not by the use of text-books, but by the living, oral instruction of the teacher. If scholars are to become familiar with these branches, they must be for a long time exposed to their influence. When by an entire reconstruction of the studies pursued and the methods of instruction employed, the Primary Schools shall be put to their true and proper work, better scholars will be advanced to the higher grades, and the character and efficiency of the entire system promoted.

INTERMEDIATE SCHOOLS.

There are now eighteen Intermediate Schools, two new ones having been established during the year. Of these ten are pure, containing

only Intermediate grades, and eight are mixed, containing Intermediate and Primary grades. Of the pure Intermediates four are of one grade, three are of two grades, and three are of three grades. In the mixed Intermediates, as now organized, four regularly contain six grades; two, five grades; one, two grades; and one, the Adams Intermediate, varies in its kind and number of grades according to circumstances. At present it has three grades, one Intermediate and two Primary.

In these schools, as well as in the Primaries, more oral instruction has been given, and more work accomplished, this year than last. Several of the teachers are of the first order; three have never taught before; and of the remainder, most have striven for better methods and achieved better results.

In Arithmetic the ground has been extended a few pages for the first and second classes, in order to complete the subject and reach a better stopping-place. The second class are to go through Federal Money, stopping at the fifty-third page, instead of at the forty-ninth; and the first class are to go to Compound Numbers, stopping at the ninety-eighth page, instead of at the eighty-fourth. The starred examples are to be omitted.

In all these schools, scholars have had the benefit of more slate and black-board practice, and have been required to be more prompt in their answering and more rapid in their figuring. The teaching has, in general, been more vigorous, and the schools more active and enterprising in their appearance.

In schools where the number of classes and time would allow, oral instruction in Grammar has been given to the second class, and in a few to the third class also. The classes that have been thus taught will more easily and understandingly complete the work of the first class, studied from the text-book next year. No more difficulty has been experienced, and no more ought to have been experienced, in interesting these classes in Grammar than in any other of the branches taught. The teacher must understand it herself, and understand so thoroughly how to present it that it will excite the interest and pleasure of small scholars as much as do any other of their studies. To ask the questions of the text-book is one thing; but to have such an understanding of a subject and such an interest in it as to be borne away from the text-book to an original style of questioning and dealing with one's class upon it, is quite another, and one which is indispensable to any teacher who looks for high success. All the Intermediate and Grammar School studies ought to be begun lower down in the course, in the form of brief daily oral instruction.

More ground than is required by the course can be gone over in Geography. The Primary book, which by the course of study is begun at the middle of the Upper Primary year and finished at the close of the Middle Intermediate, is by some teachers completed at the close of the first term of this year. Some parts of the course in the Intermediate Geography also need to be extended. Without assigning any uniform limit for all of the same grade, teachers have been allowed to advance as much beyond the requirements of the course as they have found they were able to do.

GRAMMAR SCHOOLS.

In this department one new school has been established during the year, making the number now in town eleven. Of these, nine are pure, and two mixed. Five of the pure Grammars contain but one grade; of the remaining four, two have two grades, and two have three grades. Of the two mixed schools, one, the Pratt Grammar, has four grades, three Grammar and one Intermediate; the other, the Adams Grammar, varies in its composition according to circumstances. At present, it has one Intermediate and two Grammar grades.

In the Grammar Schools, five male and six female principals, with three female assistants, have been employed. The corps of teachers has been the same as last year, with the exception of one male and one female principal and two female assistants.

In these schools the uniformly excellent order that has prevailed among the scholars while engaged in school duties or recreations, together with their gentlemanly and ladylike deportment on the streets, are honorable to them as scholars, and a testimony to the fidelity and ability of their teachers. The numbers of the several schools have been well sustained, and a very commendable interest in study has been manifested. A greater demand has been made on scholars for thoroughness in preparing lessons and promptness in reciting them, and there is at the present time the promise of classes better prepared than ever before for admission to the High School.

A great improvement was made in the order and discipline of the Mt. Pleasant building by the removal into it of the three Grammar Schools and the appointment of a male head.

HIGH SCHOOLS.

The two High Schools opened at the beginning of the present school year with an aggregate enrolment of a hundred and thirty members,

equally divided between the two schools, sixty-five at the North and sixty-five at the South. The numbers admitted on examination from the Grammar Schools were as follows: six boys and twenty girls at the North, and thirteen boys and nineteen girls at the South. Of the girls admitted at the South, one went to the North and two did not enter at all, making of those who actually entered the two schools, twenty-seven who entered the North and twenty-nine who entered the South. The numbers in each of the classes of the two schools at the beginning of the year were for the North, twenty-seven in the fourth class, nineteen in the third, twelve in the second, and seven in the first; and for the South, twenty-nine in the fourth class, eighteen in the third, sixteen in the second, and two in the first.

The records of attendance for the first term, ninety-four per cent at the North and ninety-five at the South, show that the daily instruction and discipline have been lost on only a very few scholars.

With sixty-five scholars in four classes, and with teachers of experience, scholarship, and culture, aided by experienced and full-timed assistants, there is afforded in our High Schools opportunity for the most thorough instruction, inspiration, and guidance on the part of teachers, and progress on the part of scholars. A few only of the members of either High School require to be unfavorably reported. All, save these few, have evinced a noble determination to understand thoroughly the subjects studied, and to contribute to a high standard of scholarship and attainment.

The same course of study is prescribed for both schools; there has been, however, considerable variation in the courses actually pursued. The following statement shows the studies pursued by each class of the two schools from the date of its entrance to the present time: —

FIRST CLASS.

YEAR 1873-4. — *First Term.*

N. H. Arithmetic, Eng. Grammar, Physiology, Spelling.

S. H. Arithmetic, Eng. Grammar, Physiology, Reading.

Second Term.

N. H. Algebra, Arithmetic, Eng. Composition.

S. H. Algebra, Bookkeeping, Physical Geography, History.

YEAR 1874-5. — *First Term.*

N. H. Latin, Algebra, Natural Philosophy.

S. H. Latin, Algebra, Natural Philosophy.

Second Term.

N. H. Latin, Geometry, Natural Philosophy.

S. H. Latin, Algebra, Natural Philosophy.

YEAR 1875-6. — *First Term.*

N. H. Latin, French, Chemistry.

S. H. Latin, Geometry, Chemistry.

Second Term.

N. H. Latin, French, Physical Geography.

S. H. Latin, Geometry, Rhetoric.

YEAR 1876-7. — *First Term.*

N. H. Latin, French, Geology.

S. H. Latin, Greek, Mental Philosophy, Geology.

Second Term.

N. H. Latin, Eng. Literature, Rhetoric.

S. H. Latin, Greek, Eng. Literature, Astronomy.

SECOND CLASS.

YEAR 1874-5. — *First Term.*

N. H. Eng. Composition, Arithmetic, Algebra.

S. H. Latin, Eng. Composition, Arithmetic, Algebra.

Second Term.

N. H. Eng. Composition, Physiology, Algebra.

S. H. Latin, Composition, Physiology, Algebra.

YEAR 1875-6. — *First Term.*

N. H. Latin, Natural Philosophy, Civil Government.

S. H. Latin, Greek, Geometry, Bookkeeping, Civil Government, Rhetoric.

Second Term.

N. H. Latin, Natural Philosophy, Geometry.

S. H. Latin, Greek, Geometry, Trigonometry, Rhetoric, Anct. History.

YEAR 1876-7. — *First Term.*

N. H. Latin, French, Chemistry.

S. H. Latin, Greek, French, Natural Philosophy, Modern History.

Second Term.

N. H. Latin, French, Rhetoric, Physical Geography.

S. H. Latin, Greek, French, Natural Philosophy, Physical Geography.

THIRD CLASS.

YEAR 1875-6. — *First Term.*

N. H. Latin, Arithmetic, Algebra.

S. H. Latin, English, Arithmetic, Algebra.

Second Term.

N. H. Latin, Physiology, Algebra.

S. H. Latin, English, Physiology, Algebra.

YEAR 1876-7. — *First Term.*

N. H. Latin, History, Natural Philosophy.

S. H. Latin, Geometry, Bookkeeping, Civil Government.

Second Term.

N. H. Latin, Geometry, Natural Philosophy.

S. H. Latin, Geometry, Ancient History, Natural Philosophy.

FOURTH CLASS.

YEAR 1876-7. — *First Term.*

N. H. Latin, Physiology, Algebra.

S. H. Latin, English, Arithmetic, Algebra.

Second Term.

N. H. Latin, Arithmetic, Algebra.

S. H. Latin, English, Physiology, Algebra.

SCHOOL ACCOMMODATIONS.

The school accommodations of the Third Ward could be greatly improved and rendered very complete by remodelling, at slight expense, the interior of the Broad Street building into four large, well-lighted, and well-ventilated rooms, and by removing into it the two schools now occupying the small and inconvenient rooms and grounds of the Perkins building, thus still further massing the schools, and occupying with three buildings the ten schools now occupying four.

A new school in the Second Ward having been established without suitable conveniences, and rendered necessary by the growth in numbers of those already existing beyond the capacity of the buildings in which they were held, increases and renders still more imperative the demands of that section of the town for enlarged and improved school accommodations. One large, commodious building of four rooms, erected on the grounds and in the stead of the two High and School Street houses, would afford the means of bringing together, under more easy and efficient supervision in one building, the two

hundred and more scholars now scattered in three, and of supplying in part the needs of this ward.

The two school buildings in the eastern section of the Fourth Ward are unfavorably located for securing the advantages of good grading. For the sake of equality of numbers, each of the two Intermediate Schools is obliged to have five grades, two Intermediate and three Primary; and the Grammar School, four grades, three Grammar and one Intermediate. A single building, more centrally located than either of the present ones now is, would vary the distance for scholars but little more than a quarter of a mile more than it is now, and allow the hundred and seventy-five scholars now occupying these two buildings to be brought together and classified into three well-graded schools.

GRADING.

The system of thorough grading introduced into the schools of one section of the town has been in operation a year. Its advantages were supposed to have been demonstrated by long use in other places.

Of the advantages of this system the most important are the following: —

1. It introduces into schools more extensively the principle of the division of labor.
2. By giving the teacher fewer branches to teach, it allows him to become more familiar with each one.
3. It allows the teacher to devote to one class the time otherwise devoted to two or more.
4. It renders the scholars more accessible to the teacher, allowing him opportunity to discriminate and vary his methods to suit the individual peculiarities of each.
5. It allows the teacher time to study with the scholars, directing and economizing their efforts in the study and preparation of a lesson, thus not only helping them to learn their lessons, but also instructing them in the important work of learning how to learn.
6. It avoids the necessary confusion belonging to schools where study and recitation are going on at the same time.

Of the disadvantages that may be mentioned against the system are the following: —

1. *Its unsocialness.* The social influences which in school as in society are educationally as well as morally valuable are most powerful and efficient where pupils of different ages and attainments are mingled in the same school.

2. *The loss of the excitement that comes from witnessing the perform-*

ances of higher classes. In a school of one grade the standard of recitation that has been erected during the year goes out of the room with the class at its close. In schools of two or more grades, where this standard is preserved in a higher class, the new scholars at the opening of the year are at once exposed to its elevating influence. The fourth class in the High Schools, in the same time and under the same teacher, could not make the same progress in a given study pursued in a separate room and by themselves as in the same room with and in the presence of the three higher classes.

3. *Unwieldy classes.* It is impossible to command so fully the attention, to call up so frequently for recitation, or to agitate so thoroughly with the fear of being called up, in a class of fifty as in one of ten.

4. *New teachers.* For most scholars, nine years under nine good teachers is not so favorable as nine years under three teachers equally good.

5. *Waste of time.* A school of two grades and sixteen recitations a day necessitates a full use of time more than one of one grade and eight recitations. Too little time prompts to a careful use of all; an abundance exposes to a waste of some.

Doubtless the advantages greatly outweigh the disadvantages. Too much must not be expected. Fair judgment is not that a school of one grade and with the same other advantages will accomplish twice as much as one of two, but only that it will accomplish more.

The advantages of thorough grading may be introduced into the Grammar Schools of the Fifth Ward at the opening of the next school year. The two Grammar Schools of this ward enrolled, at the beginning of the present year, ninety-nine members, forty-one in the lower and fifty-eight in the upper. At the close of the year not more than twelve can be subtracted by promotion to the High School, nor less than thirty added by promotion from the lower, making pupils enough to form three schools with an average of about forty to each school. The still further advantage of grouping in the same building schools of the same grade, with a male head over the whole, may then be realized by either reducing the three lower schools of two grades in the Central Street building to two schools of three grades, or opening a new room for one of the three without reducing, and then occupying the whole building with the three Grammar, and one of the two lower schools, after occupying the vacated lower room of the High School building with the other, and thus introducing in the Fifth Ward an arrangement of six schools in two buildings, similar to that lately introduced in the Third.

DRAWING.

At the opening of the present school year, for the purpose of receiving special instruction in drawing and in pursuance of the vote of the committee relating to its introduction, the teachers of the town were arranged into two classes, one for the north part, and the other for the south; those of the south class, eighteen in number, meeting at the High School room, in South Weymouth, and those of the north, twenty-nine in number, meeting in the room of the Commercial Street Upper Grammar School, in East Weymouth. One lesson a week of two hours' length, extending from half after three to half after five, has been given to each class, to the south class on Monday, and to the north on Tuesday. When the time of the engagement with the present master, Mr. Walter F. Brackett, of Winchester, has expired, twenty-five lessons will have been given to each class.

The attendance at the lessons has been full, hardly a lesson having been lost by any teacher; the interest felt in the subject has been general, and instances of opposition have been few, and in these few the opposition has arisen, not so much from unworthy views of the nature of the subject itself, as from conscious inability to make any desirable attainments in it; and from the nature of the subject, the knowledge acquired, and the interest developed by the lessons thus far given, it is believed that the action of the committee in employing a special instructor in drawing to superintend the instruction of this new branch into our schools was wise, and that it could not have been successfully introduced in any other way.

When the twenty-five lessons are completed, teachers will have finished the study of elementary forms and their combinations, and have taken up and advanced a considerable distance in that of natural forms and design. The full grade will have been established in the Primary Schools and the lowest class of the Intermediate, while in the higher grades it will still be provisional, since all were obliged to commence at the beginning. Whether, however, sufficient instruction will have been given to the teachers, and the system sufficiently established in their schools, to be left in their hands at the expiration of the present engagement, my own as yet limited knowledge of the subject forbids me to render an intelligent judgment. The prejudice naturally attending the first introduction of so new and novel a subject has, to a great extent, been removed from the minds of both teachers and patrons of schools, and general and increasing favor established in its stead. It is also true that, while still further instruction and superintendence would be desirable, if feasible, a large proportion of the teachers of the town will feel ready to dispense with further aid, and

rely on themselves to successfully carry forward the system which will have been so successfully introduced.

All the advantages promised by the introduction of drawing into the schools have been fully realized. Good progress has been made by the scholars, and all like the study. The stimulating power of this branch has been so great that the scholars have made as much progress in the solid branches, with the necessary time devoted to this additional study, as they would have made without it; and it is believed that, if systematic instruction continues to be given in this study, the community will, in a short time, receive as rich returns from instruction in drawing as from instruction in any other of the branches now taught in school.

MUSIC.

If regular instruction in music were introduced, advantages as manifest, though in some respects different, would result from it as have resulted from regular instruction in drawing. Education, comprehensively viewed, is moral as well as intellectual. Music is a humanizing power in school. It opens an avenue to the innermost disposition of the pupil. It appeals directly to the sentiments of love of freedom, of nature, of country, and of home; to generous feelings towards others, as kindness, pity, and freedom from care. All these are of the greatest possible value in the moral aspect of education in the school. Socrates, in Jewett's translation of Plato's "Republic," says:—

"Is not this the reason, Glaucon, why musical training is so powerful, because rhythm and harmony find their way into the secret places of the soul, on which they mightily fasten, bearing grace in their movements, and making the soul graceful of him who is rightly educated, or ungraceful if ill-educated; and also because he who has received this true education of the inner being will most shrewdly perceive omissions or faults in art or nature, and with true taste, while he praises and rejoices over and receives into his soul the good, and becomes noble and good, he will justly blame and hate the bad, now in the days of his youth, even before he is able to know the reason of the thing; and when Reason comes, he will recognize and salute her as a friend with whom his education has made him familiar?"

Impressions made on the unconscious phases of life reappear in the conscious life. The lines of the photograph, at first invisible, afterwards come out when the conditions are given them. If any person, charged with the general supervision of schools, fails to recommend the immediate introduction of music, it must be, not that he does not feel it to be necessary, but because of the want of funds at the disposal of the Board.

TABLE I. — CLASSIFICATION.

Departments.	Schools.	Grades.								
		Low.	Mid.	Upp.	Low.	Mid.	Upp.	Low.	Mid.	Upp.
Primary . . .	Athens	Low.	Mid.	Upp.						
"	Broad St., upp . .	• • •	• • •	• • •						
"	Central St.	"	"	• • •						
"	Commercial St. . .	"	"	• • •						
"	Grant St.	"	"	"						
"	High St.	"	"	"						
"	Main St.	"	"	"						
"	Middle St.	"	"	"						
"	Perkins, low. . .	"	• • •	• • •						
"	" mid.	• • •	"	• • •						
"	Pleasant St. . . .	"	"	"						
Intermediate.	Athens	• • •	• • •	• • •	"	"	"			
"	Broad St., low. . .	• • •	• • •	• • •	"	• • •	• • •			
"	Central St., upp. .	• • •	• • •	• • •	• • •	"	"			
"	High St., low. . .	• • •	• • •	• • •	"	• • •	• • •			
"	Main St.	• • •	• • •	• • •	"	"	"			
"	Middle St.	• • •	• • •	• • •	"	"	"			
"	Mt. Pleasant, upp.	• • •	• • •	• • •	• • •	• • •	"			
"	Pleasant St. . . .	• • •	• • •	• • •	"	"	"			
"	School St., upp. .	• • •	• • •	• • •	• • •	"	"			
"	Tremont St., mid.	• • •	• • •	• • •	• • •	"	• • •			
"	Adams	"	"	• • •	"	• • •	• • •			
"	Central St., low. .	• • •	• • •	"	"	• • •	• • •			
"	Pond St.	"	"	"	"	"	"			
"	Pratt	"	"	"	"	"	• • •			
"	Randolph St. . . .	"	"	"	"	"	"			
"	River St.	"	"	"	• • •	"	• • •			
"	Union St.	"	"	"	"	"	• • •			
"	Washington St. .	"	"	"	"	"	• • •			
Grammar . .	Athens	• • •	• • •	• • •	• • •	• • •	• • •	"	"	"
"	Central St., low. .	• • •	• • •	• • •	• • •	• • •	• • •	"	• • •	• • •
"	Com'rcial St., low.	• • •	• • •	• • •	• • •	• • •	• • •	"	• • •	• • •
"	" " upp.	• • •	• • •	• • •	• • •	• • •	• • •	• • •	"	"
"	Main St.	• • •	• • •	• • •	• • •	• • •	• • •	"	"	"
"	Mt. Pleasant, low.	• • •	• • •	• • •	• • •	• • •	• • •	"	• • •	• • •
"	" mid.	• • •	• • •	• • •	• • •	• • •	• • •	• • •	"	• • •
"	" upp.	• • •	• • •	• • •	• • •	• • •	• • •	• • •	• • •	"
"	Torrey St., upp. .	• • •	• • •	• • •	• • •	• • •	• • •	• • •	"	"
"	Adams	• • •	• • •	• • •	• • •	"	• • •	"	"	• • •
"	Pratt	• • •	• • •	• • •	• • •	• • •	"	"	"	"
High	North High . . .	Class 4 . .		Class 3 . .		Class 2 . .		Class 1.		
"	South "	" . .		" . .		" . .		"		

TABLE II. — ENROLMENT.

SCHOOLS.	PRIMARY.						INTERMEDIATE.						GRAMMAR.						HIGH.							
	Low.		Mid.		Upp.		Low.		Mid.		Upp.		Low.		Mid.		Upp.		Class IV.	Class III.	Class II.	Class I.				
	Boys.	Girls.	Boys.	Girls.	Boys.	Girls.	Boys.	Girls.	Boys.	Girls.	Boys.	Girls.	Boys.	Girls.	Boys.	Girls.	Boys.	Girls.								
PRIMARY.																										
Athens	10	16	5	7	12	8																				
Broad St., upp.	.	.	.	.	26	24																		
Central St. . . .	7	10	14	11																						
Commercial St.	22	11	5	2																						
Grant St.	9	7	9	2	10	5																				
High St.	9	8	9	8	8	9																				
Main St.	5	3	8	6	3	8																				
Middle St. . . .	11	17	8	11	8	9																				
Perkins, low. . .	31	26																								
Perkins, mid. . .	.	.	23	23																				
Pleasant St. . . .	18	17	7	8	8	7																				
INTERMEDIATE.																										
Athens . . . . .	.	.	.	.	.	.	8	5	9	4	14	13												
Broad St., low.	.	.	.	.	.	.	26	19																
Central St. upp.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	18	4	19	10												
High St., low. . .	.	.	.	.	.	.	20	24																
Main St. . . . .	.	.	.	.	.	.	14	11	6	3	11	5												
Middle St. . . . .	.	.	.	.	.	.	7	9	12	9	12	.												
Mt. Pleas't upp.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	28	26												
Pleasant St. . . .	.	.	.	.	.	.	2	5	8	15	8	9												
School St., upp.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	15	18	12	8												
Tremont St. mid	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	26	23														
Adams	8	4	3	5	.	.	7	4																		
Central St.,	Mixed.																									
low. . . . .		.	.	.	8	9	17	13																
Pond St.		6	6	3	3	4	4	2	1	5	4	2	.													
Pratt		10	3	6	4	3	8	7	1	1	3	.														
Rand'lph St		4	5	4	4	2	2	1	3	.	1	1														
River St.		6	10	.	2	3	5	.	.	2	2	.	1													
Union St.		6	3	3	3	2	.	1	5	7	6															
Wash'n St. . . .	9	8	5	5	5	6	6	10	5	2																
GRAMMAR.																										
Athens . . . . .	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	4	11	4	7	6	6						
Central St., low.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	19	22										
Commercial St.,	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	21	22									
low . . . . .	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
Commercial St.,	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
upp. . . . .	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
Main St. . . . .	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
Mt. Pleas't, low.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
Mt. Pleas't, mid.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
Mt. Pleas't, upp.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
Torrey St., upp.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
Adams . . . . .	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	3	8	.	.	4	8	2	3	.	.						
Pratt . . . . .	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	8	11	13	6	10	5	1	8						
HIGH.																										
North High	7	20	8	11	6	6	3	4
South High	13	16	7	11	6	10	2	.

TABLE III.—ADMISSIONS.

				Boys.	Girls.	Total.
Primary . .	Athens	Admitted from	Homes	4	6	10
"	Broad St., upp. . .	"	Perkins, mid.	21	19	40
"	Central St.	"	Homes	4	10	14
"	Commercial St. . .	"	"	7	6	13
"	Grant St.	"	"	2	3	5
"	High St.	"	"	6	1	7
"	Main St.	"	"	2	2	4
"	Middle St.	"	"	12	8	20
"	Perkins, low. . . .	"	"	2	1	3
"	Perkins, mid. . . .	"	Perkins, low.	15	12	27
"	Pleasant St.	"	Homes	12	21	33
Intermediate.	Athens	"	Athens, pri.	8	5	13
"	Broad St., low. . .	"	Broad St., upp. pri. . .	23	15	38
"	Central St., upp. . .	"	Central St., low. . . .	16	4	20
"	High St., low. . . .	"	High St., pri.	9	11	20
"	Main St.	"	Main St., pri.	10	10	20
"	Middle St.	"	Middle St., pri.	3	9	12
"	Mt. Pleasant, upp. .	"	Tremont St., mid. . . .	16	21	37
"	Pleasant St.	"	Pleasant St., pri. . . .	1	5	6
"	School St., upp. . .	"	High St., low.	12	12	24
"	Tremont St., mid. .	"	Broad St., low.	22	19	41
"	Adams	"	Homes	2	1	3
"	Central St., low. . .	"	Central St., pri.	7	7	14
"	Pond St.	"	Homes	1	0	1
"	Pratt	"	"	2	2	4
"	Randolph St. . . .	"	" (New school) . . .	0	2	2
"	River St.	"	"	14	16	30
"	Union St.	"	"	3	2	5
"	Washington St. . .	"	"	11	3	14
Grammar . .	Athens	"	Athens, inter.	4	11	15
"		"	Central St., upp. int. .	9	10	19
"	Central St., low. .	"	Pond St., inter.	2	0	2
"		"	Randolph St., inter. . .	0	4	4
"	Commercial, upp. .	"	Union St., inter.	3	5	8
"	Commercial, low. .	"	Commercial, low. . . .	13	23	35
"		"	Middle St., inter. . . .	7	3	10
"		"	Pleasant St., inter. . .	4	4	8
"	Main St.	"	School St., upp. inter. .	9	9	18
"	Mt. Pleasant, low. .	"	Main St., inter.	6	4	10
"	Mt. Pleasant, mid. .	"	Mt. Pleasant, upp. inter.	18	16	34
"	Mt. Pleasant, upp. .	"	" low.	15	8	23
"	Torrey St., upp. . .	"	" mid.	0	0	0
"	Adams	"	Central St., low. . . .	19	16	35
"	Pratt	"	Adams, inter.	4	7	11
"		"	Pratt, inter.	2	6	8
"		"	Washington St., inter.	6	5	11
"		"	Athens, gram.	2	2	4
"		"	Adams, gram.	0	3	3
High	North High	"	Commercial St., upp. gr.	1	5	6
"		"	Mt. Pleasant, upp. gram.	3	10	13
"		"	Pratt, gram.	0	1	1
"		"	Main St., gram.	3	1	4
"	South High	"	Pratt, gram.	3	5	8
"		"	Torrey St., upp. gram.	7	10	17

TABLE IV.—ATTENDANCE.

NAMES OF SCHOOLS.		CALENDAR YEAR. 1876.									
		SCHOOL YEAR, 1875-6.					SCHOOL YEAR, 1876-7.				
		Second Term.					First Term.				
		Boys.	Girls.	Total.	Av'ge.	Per ct.	Boys.	Girls.	Total.	Av'ge.	Per ct.
Primary . . .	Athens	36	38	74	49	66	27	31	58	44	76
"	Broad Street, upp.	26	21	47	39	83	26	24	50	43	86
"	Central Street	22	28	50	36	72	21	21	42	33	80
"	Commercial Street	24	14	38	25	66	27	13	40	29	72
"	Grant Street	30	22	52	39	75	28	14	42	34	81
"	High Street	33	31	64	47	73	26	25	51	31	60
"	Main Street	23	26	49	38	77	16	17	33	24	72
"	Middle Street	27	36	63	47	75	23	36	64	51	80
"	Perkins, low.	42	30	72	37	51	31	26	57	37	67
"	Perkins, mid.	29	27	56	41	73	23	23	46	30	65
"	Pleasant Street	37	38	75	48	64	34	34	68	49	70
Intermediate .	Athens	30	28	58	49	84	22	31	53	44	83
"	Broad Street, low.	25	24	49	37	75	26	19	45	38	85
"	Central Street, upp.	32	21	53	46	87	37	14	51	47	92
"	High Street, low.	20	21	41	34	83	20	24	44	37	84
"	Main Street	25	14	39	36	92	31	19	50	43	86
"	Middle Street	33	18	51	40	82	30	19	49	39	80
"	Mount Pleasant, upp.	31	21	52	42	81	28	26	54	43	80
"	Pleasant Street	21	25	46	38	83	18	29	47	42	90
"	School Street, upp.	27	21	48	41	86	27	26	53	47	90
"	Tremont Street, mid.	22	26	48	35	73	26	23	49	42	86
"	Adams	Not established.					18	13	31	26	72
"	Central, low.	35	22	57	52	91	25	22	47	45	96
"	Pond Street	27	13	40	38	95	22	18	40	34	85
"	Pratt	32	24	56	30	52	29	17	46	40	87
"	Randolph Street	14	18	32	22	69	11	16	27	22	81
"	River Street	Not established.					14	16	30	25	83
"	Union Street	17	19	36	28	77	19	17	36	33	91
"	Washington Street	39	31	70	57	81	32	30	62	54	87
Grammar . . .	Athens	22	24	46	39	85	14	24	38	35	92
"	Central Street, low.	29	20	49	43	88	19	22	41	39	95
"	Commercial Street, low.	16	27	43	37	86	21	22	43	40	93
"	Commercial Street, upp.	20	23	43	35	82	27	35	62	60	97
"	Main Street	19	16	35	31	88	15	17	32	30	94
"	Mount Pleasant, low.	19	11	30	25	83	23	19	42	35	83
"	Mount Pleasant, mid.	21	25	46	35	76	15	21	36	30	83
"	Mount Pleasant, upp.	13	23	36	32	88	17	21	38	34	90
"	Torrey Street, upp.	28	23	51	43	86	34	24	58	54	92
"	Adams	27	36	63	49	78	9	19	28	24	83
"	Pratt	31	26	57	48	84	32	30	62	55	85
High	North High	25	31	56	53	94	24	41	65	61	94
"	South High	22	36	58	53	74	25	40	65	62	95

TABLE V.—SALARIES.

TEACHERS.	SCHOOLS.			No. Scholars.	Date of Election to Present Position.	Salaries.
Miss Mabel F. Harlow	Athens	Pri.	3 grades	58	Aug. 28, 1876	\$300 00
Miss Hannah E. Ward	Broad St.	"	Up. 1 "	50	" 28, 1876	300 00
Mrs. S. J. Rogers	Central St.	"	Low. & Mid. "	42	Jan. 5, 1874	300 00
Miss Josephine A. Raymond	Commerc'l St.	"	Low. & Mid. "	40	May 10, 1876	300 00
Miss Ella M. Burgess	Grant St.	"	3 "	42	Aug. 28, 1876	300 00
Miss Carrie L. Farren	High St.	"	3 "	51	April 27, 1874	300 00
Mrs. J. Ellen French	Main St.	"	3 "	33	Aug. 31, 1872	300 00
Mrs. A. F. Gardner	Middle St.	"	3 "	64	" 31, 1874	300 00
Miss Clara F. Perry	Perkins	"	Low. 1 "	57	March 2, 1874	300 00
Miss Mary L. Hunt	Perkins	"	Mid. 1 "	46	Aug. 25, 1873	300 00
Mrs. Annie H. (Vining) Garey	Pleasant St.	"	3 "	68	" 31, 1872	300 00
Miss Mary L. Ells	Athens	Inter.	3 "	53	" 28, 1876	340 00
Miss Emma F. Parker	Broad St.	"	Low. 1 "	45	" 28, 1876	340 00
Miss S. C. Vining	Central St.	"	Up. Mid. & Up. "	51	Jan. 4, 1875	340 00
Miss Lizzie R. Healy	High St.	"	Low. 1 "	44	Aug. 31, 1872	340 00
Miss Maria C. Holbrook . . .	Main St.	"	3 "	50	Jan. 4, 1875	340 00
Miss Hattie J. Farren	Middle St.	"	3 "	49	Aug. 28, 1876	340 00
Miss Abbie L. Loud	Mt. Pleasant	"	Up. 1 "	54	April 6, 1875	340 00
Mrs. Abbie A. (Burrell) Shaw	Pleasant St.	"	3 "	47	Aug. 31, 1872	340 00
Miss Mariana Holbrook . . .	School St.	"	Up. Mid. & Up. "	53	Dec. 6, 1875	340 00
Mrs. Flora A. Tilden	Tremont St.	"	Mid. 1 "	49	Aug. 28, 1876	340 00
Miss Louie Briggs	Adams	"	L. & L. & M. Pri. "	31	" 28, 1876	300 00
Mrs. Maria A. Morrell . . .	Central St.	"	L. & Pri. Up. "	47	Sept. 1, 1860	340 00
Miss Maria Torrey	Pond St.	"	3, & Pri. 3 "	40	Aug. 28, 1876	340 00
Miss Sarah E. Spilstead . . .	Pratt	"	L. & M. & 3 Pri. "	46	Jan. 4, 1875	340 00
Miss Emily V. White	Randolph St.	"	3 & Pri. 3 "	27	Aug. 28, 1876	340 00
Miss Clarabelle Pratt . . .	River St.	"	Mid. & 3 Pri. "	30	" 28, 1876	340 00
Mrs. Emma J. Smith	Union St.	"	L. & M. & 3 Pri. "	36	Dec. 16, 1872	340 00
Miss Ellena S. Spilstead . .	Washing'n St.	"	L. & M. & 3 Pri. "	62	Aug. 29, 1875	340 00
Mr. Edward N. Dyer	Athens	Gram.	3 "	38	" 25, 1873	950 00
Miss Lizzie C. Whitman . . .	Central St.	"	Low. 1 "	41	Jan. 5, 1875	380 00
Miss Ellen G. Parrott	Commerc'l St.	"	Low. 1 "	43	Aug. 31, 1872	380 00
Mr. Lucius Brown, Prin. . . .	"	"	Up., Mid. & Up. "	62	" 28, 1876	950 00
Miss M. J. Hawes, Ass't . . .	"	"	"	.	" 28, 1876	340 00
Miss S. L. Vining	Main St.	"	3 "	32	Nov. 20, 1871	450 00
Miss Carrie A. Blanchard . .	Mt. Pleasant	"	Low. 1 "	42	Jan. 10, 1876	380 00
Miss Nettie W. Knights . . .	"	"	Mid. 1 "	36	March 1, 1875	380 00
Mr. J. W. Armington	"	"	Up. 1 "	38	April 6, 1870	950 00
Mr. Louis A. Cook, Prin. . .	Torrey St.	"	Up., Mid. & Up. "	58	Aug. 3, 1872	950 00
Miss Mary F. Logue, Ass't . .	"	"	"	.	" 28, 1876	340 00
Miss Eliza French	Adams	"	L. & M. & M. Int. 3 "	28	April 11, 1866	450 00
Mr. Geo. C. Torrey, Prin. . .	Pratt	"	3 & Int. Up. "	63	Aug. 25, 1873	950 00
Miss Lizzie Dyer, Ass't . . .	"	"	"	.	April 6, 1874	170 00 (Half time.)
Mrs. Geo. W. Shaw, Prin. . .	North High	"	4 "	65	Aug. 31, 1868	1250 00
Miss Sarah B. Goodwin, Ass't	"	"	"	.	" 28, 1876	500 00
Mr. Geo. B. Vose, Prin. . . .	South High	"	4 "	65	" 31, 1874	1250 00
Miss Alice R. Rogers, Ass't .	"	"	"	.	Jan. 10, 1876	450 00

SUMMARY OF STATISTICS.

{	Population of town, according to census of 1875	.	9,819
{	Number of children in town between five and fifteen		
	years of age	. . . . .	1,981
{	Number of pupils of all ages in the public schools	.	2,005
{	Average daily attendance	. . . . .	1,665
{	Per cent of daily attendance	. . . . .	83
{	Number of scholars in Primary Schools	. . .	551
{	Average daily attendance	. . . . .	405
{	Per cent of daily attendance	. . . . .	74
{	Number of scholars in Intermediate Schools	. .	844
{	Average daily attendance	. . . . .	701
{	Per cent of daily attendance	. . . . .	84
{	Number of scholars in Grammar Schools	. . .	480
{	Average daily attendance	. . . . .	436
{	Per cent of daily attendance	. . . . .	91
{	Number of scholars in High Schools	. . .	130
{	Average daily attendance	. . . . .	123
{	Per cent of daily attendance	. . . . .	95

Respectfully submitted.

F. B. GAMWELL,
Superintendent of Schools.

SOUTH WEYMOUTH, Jan. 31, 1877,

